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RESIDENT HAROLD WALKER of the Agawam Citizens Against Incineration explains his position on the Fluor Viccon Plant to Agawam Town Council, Wednesday, October 7th. Advertiser News photo by Joan Lussier.

Agawam Rotary To Kick-Off Polio Campaign



ROTARY INTERNATIONAL is currently involved in a \$120 million effort to help wipe-out polio, in a campaign called "Polio Plus." Here, Agawam Rotarians Robb Townsend, Gene Reopel (left), President Donald Morris and Albert LaMountain (right) kick-off the local campaign with District Governor Robert Hadley (center). Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Fluor Viccon Plant Aired At Hearing; Vote On Monday

by Joan Lussier
Advertiser News Staff

The Agawam Town Council took no action at the public hearing held Wednesday, October 7th, on the citizen's petition to halt construction of the \$36.6 million Fluor Viccon incinerator at Bandi's Island, or the request from the Agawam Board of Health that the environmental impact statement, done in 1983-84, be reviewed.

About 250 people turned-out to hear arguments both pro and con to the incinerator, which has created quite a snap in the area.

At presstime, the council is scheduled to vote on \$4,000 to allow the Board of Health to participate in a review of the environmental impact statement, as well as obtain independent legal council to assist the board. That vote could take place at the council's October 19th session.

The public hearing, which was closed after midnight, also heard Town Manager Reid S. Charles defend his administration's handling of the incinerator issue, as well as state that his office, as well as the town's Law Department, under Town Solicitor Ralph Atkins, has fully assisted the Board of Health during the process.

Members of the Board of Health, including Chairman John Negrucci, have criticized Charles and Atkins for giving no assistance to them and were reportedly appalled when told of Charles' remarks in his prepared statement.

Not only the Agawam Board of Health, but the boards in West Springfield and Springfield, are concerned about potential health problems and are looking to pool funding to seek an environmental audit of the initial impact study.

SEE INCINERATOR - Page 2...

JDF Walk For Gerry Mason Sun. Oct. 18

Please see Page 62

Open House At Fitness First

Fitness First Health & Racquet Club, 60 North Westfield Street, Feeding Hills, will be holding its 2nd Anniversary Celebration, Sunday, October 25th, from noon to 5:00 p.m. Please turn to Page 59 for related display advertisement

INCINERATOR - From Page 1... Five Issues Called On

Donna Jogo, spokeswoman for the Agawam Citizens Against Incinerator, read a letter during the public hearing from the Sierra Club that represented five major issues that her group says needs to be dealt with concerning the incinerator - lack of information about health problems; the monitoring of toxic information; ash disposal; the assessment of the impact on wildlife; and the lack of management planning, such as recycling.

Longmeadow resident Bob Pine told councilors there was a need for the facility, but said the Bondi's site was wrong. "The incinerator should be built at a higher elevation, where it would not be harmful to the population." Pine also said there would be a problem from increased air pollution because of the trucks that will be entering and leaving the facility.

Also introduced at the meeting was Dr. Frank Lawrence, of Portland, Maine, who has worked for 15 years in public health. He was hired by the City of Springfield to answer potential health-risk questions.

Dr. Lawrence said the incinerator "cannot be risk free, but health impact would be very low."

He said he has checked data output from the Fluor Vicon incinerator in Pittsfield, as well as other trash burning incinerators, and to his knowledge, "there have been no deaths or chemical injuries."

Dr. Lawrence also pointed out that ash from the plant will not be hazardous waste. "Even when water is run through the ash, metal remains bound to the ash, therefore, there is no pollution to the water."

According to Dr. Lawrence, there are guidelines, enforced by the state DEQE, to protect the public against dioxins from the burning trash. Lead, one of the elements emitted from the plant, is lower than emissions from automobiles, he added.

Donald Anderson, president of the Agawam Chamber of Commerce, said his organization supported the incinerator. All members belonging to the chamber recently received a letter on the regional need for the plant, as well as severely cautioning against attempting to delay the plant's construction which would result in "very costly lawsuits," according to Anderson.

"The chamber feels that the plant offers "the best available technology for treatment and disposal" of trash," Anderson said.

Routine Testing For Employees

A member of the Teamsters Union from the Fluor Vicon Plant in Pittsfield told the council that the Pittsfield plant routinely tests employees, but the Teamsters Union holds separate testing for employees. He said no employee of the Pittsfield plant showed any sign of high levels of lead, and that all employees were healthy, showing no ill effects from the plant.

The Resource Recovery Plant in Pittsfield has been in operation since 1981. It handles approximately 65,000 tons of refuse each year, and also sells steam that's turned into electricity to a local company.

Proponents said the only difference between the two plants is "the state of the art pollution control system," noting that emissions at the Bondi's Island Plant will have a more effective pollution control system than that in Pittsfield. Proponents noted that the locals in Pittsfield had no problems whatsoever with the operation.

Afterwards, members of the local coalition remained unimpressed by what proponents stated, noting they will press their efforts in the coming weeks.



RICHARD SCADERI of Feeding Hills addresses the Agawam Town Council at last week's hearing on the Fluor Vicon incinerator at Bondi's Island. Advertiser News photo by Joan Lussier.

Town Plans Annual Fall Clean-Up

The Agawam Department of Public Works wishes to announce to Agawam residents that the Annual Fall Clean-up will be conducted from October 26th to November 5th.

Collections will be made from single family-four family dwellings served by the regular bi-weekly rubbish collection. No materials from any business operation will be collected. Materials to be collected must be placed on the treebelt by 7:00 a.m., of the scheduled collection day.

Materials to be collected are solid wastes (including) but not limited to automobile parts, demolition wastes, plumbing fixtures, furniture, mattresses, bedsprings, refrigerators, stoves, water heaters, metal pipes, and other bulky wastes.

Items such as pipes, boards, or timbers must be reduced in length to four feet and secured in bundles not exceeding 50 pounds in weight.

Materials specifically excluded from this collection are household rubbish, garbage, liquid wastes of any kind, rubber tires, automobile chassis, bodies and motors, concrete or masonry, tree stumps, branches, brush, lawn clippings, leaves, and hedge trimmings.

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All small or loose items must be placed in plastic bags or containers having a maximum capacity of 30 gallons. Metal items shall be placed on the treebelt separate from other items. No metal drums, tanks, or containers will be collected unless an end has been removed and it can be ascertained that no material remains in the containers.

Residents should be advised that the above regulations will be strictly enforced. The department hopes to soon arrange for the disposal of rubber tires by residents. An announcement will be forthcoming in advance of the event. The schedule for the collection is as follows:

ROUTE 1-November 2nd; ROUTE 2-November 3rd; ROUTE 3-November 4th; ROUTE 4-November 5th; ROUTE 5- October 26th; ROUTE 6-October 27th; ROUTE 7-October 28th; ROUTE 8-October 29th.

High School Lights Meeting October 21st

Town Councilor Anthony Soracino and a group of interested residents invite other townspeople to attend a meeting concerning the placement of lights at Horn Smith Football Field at Agawam High School.

The meeting will be held in the AHS cafeteria, beginning at 7:00 p.m.

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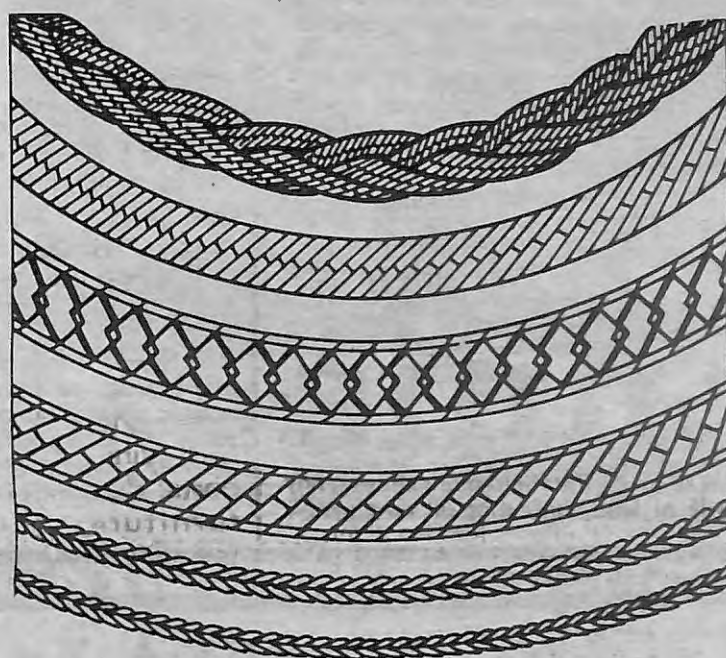
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Agawam Police Activity Sheet

Agawam Police Department Crime Prevention Officer, Wayne Macey, today released the following APD activity for the week ending Sunday, October 11th. There were 224 calls answered and seven arrests.

Activity included three assault and battery, four breaking and entering, 11 larcenies, seven arrests, 30 suspicious activity, five civil disturbances, five disturbances, 22 nuisance persons, 17 ambulance assists, 22 alarms (all false), and four personal injuries result from accidents.

Also, 19 property damage from accidents, five Fire Department assists, 15 citizen assists, three runaways/missing persons (all returned), six dog complaints, and 39 miscellaneous calls.

On October 7th, **William W. Cordis**, 148 Taylor Street, Springfield, was arrested and charged with an outstanding State Police warrant for traffic offenses. Arresting officers were Walter Zymroz and Eric Comerlin.

On October 8th, **Gerald Sartori**, 33 Elmar Drive, Feeding Hills, was arrested and charged with driving under the influence of alcohol. Arresting officers were Steve Draahetti, Richard Curry, and Richard Light, Jr.

On October 10th, **Kevin J. Ryan**, 19 Fruwirth Avenue, Feeding Hills, was arrested and charged with driving under the influence of alcohol. Arresting officers were Robert Landers and Paul Murphy.

On October 11th, **Keith D. Meyer**, 43 Pochassic Street, Westfield, was arrested and charged with being a disorderly person and trespassing. Arresting officers were Walter Zymroz, Mark Poggi, and James Luccardi.

On October 11th, **Matthew Gruska**, 25 Hayes Avenue, Feeding Hills, was arrested and charged with driving under the influence of alcohol. Arresting officer was Gary O'Brien.

Meet The APD's Traffic Bureau



MEMBERS OF THE AGAWAM POLICE DEPT. TRAFFIC DIVISION, from left - Ben Moore, Walter Zymroz, Richard Curry, Sergeant Al Longhi, Robert Marsh, Gary O'Brien, and Peter Bertera.

The Patrol Unit - Backbone Of Police Dept.

by Officer Wayne Macey
Agawam Crime Prevention Bureau

The patrol unit is the single most important unit operating within the Police Department. The men in blue who drive the marked cruisers are responsible for a multitude of activities, not the least of which are the safety and well-being of the people within their assigned districts.

They remain both available and highly-visible, and are an effective crime deterrent. Often referred to as the frontline, they are also the first to respond and react.

The types of calls are varied and can range from the barking dog, to family disputes, to larcenies and assaults. One of the most frequent and difficult of all calls is the motor vehicle accident. Many require the careful extrication of bodies from twisted metal, as well as the calming of those involved and the taking of measurements to be used in a later court case.

In his career, the cruiser patrolman will leave behind a trail of half-eaten meals and many sleepless nights. They will be asked to deliver babies, calm fears, heal the sick and injured, and in general, perform miracles. All this can be done without being afforded the luxury of knowing beforehand, what they are getting into.

In addition, they will be responsible for gathering those most important first bits and pieces of information which will determine the ultimate success or failure of any major investigation. They are the "trench" people and the real backbone of any police department.

Patrol is the place where all police officers will start their career and where most will end it. It is the time most often remembered by those retired, and lastly, it is the people—the men and women with whom we will share the laughter and the tears of the most important emotional times of our lives.

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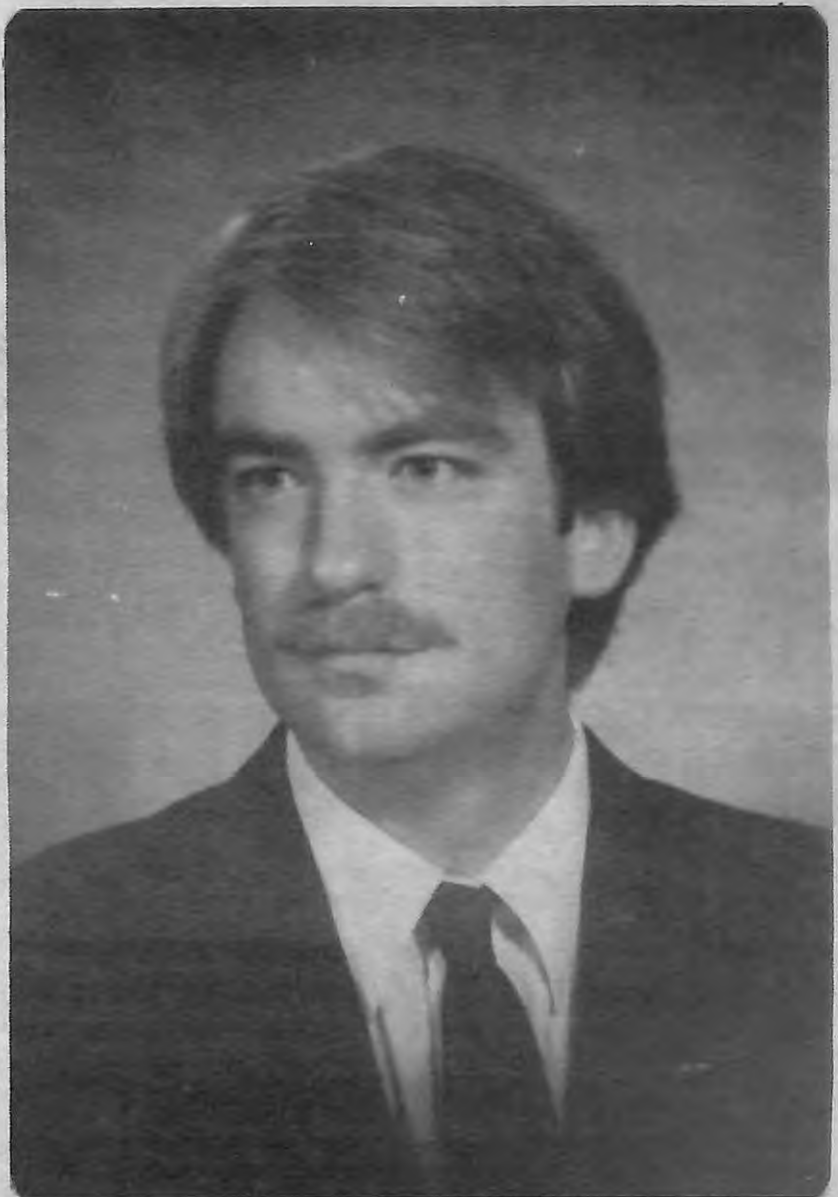
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2. FOR A Mayor - Return The Government To The People!
3. AGAINST Uncontrolled Development Of Agawam's Remaining Open Spaces
4. TIRED Of Controversial Town Managers
5. FOR More Responsive Labor Negotiations With Town Employees
6. As A Former Student In The Agawam School System, SUPPORTS A Strong Educational Budget And Understands The Need To Support Those Educating Our Children

Chris Johnson's Qualifications

- ★ Lifelong Resident Of Agawam
- ★ Graduate Of Agawam High Class Of 1979
- ★ Graduate With Honors From American International College In 1982
- ★ Graduate Cum Laude From Western New England School Of Law In 1986
- ★ Attorney With The Firm Of Wilhelm, Hamilton & King
- ★ Former Participant In The Agawam Athletic Association; Substitute Teacher In The Agawam Public Schools; Labor Relations Experience With The State Of Connecticut Labor Relations Department

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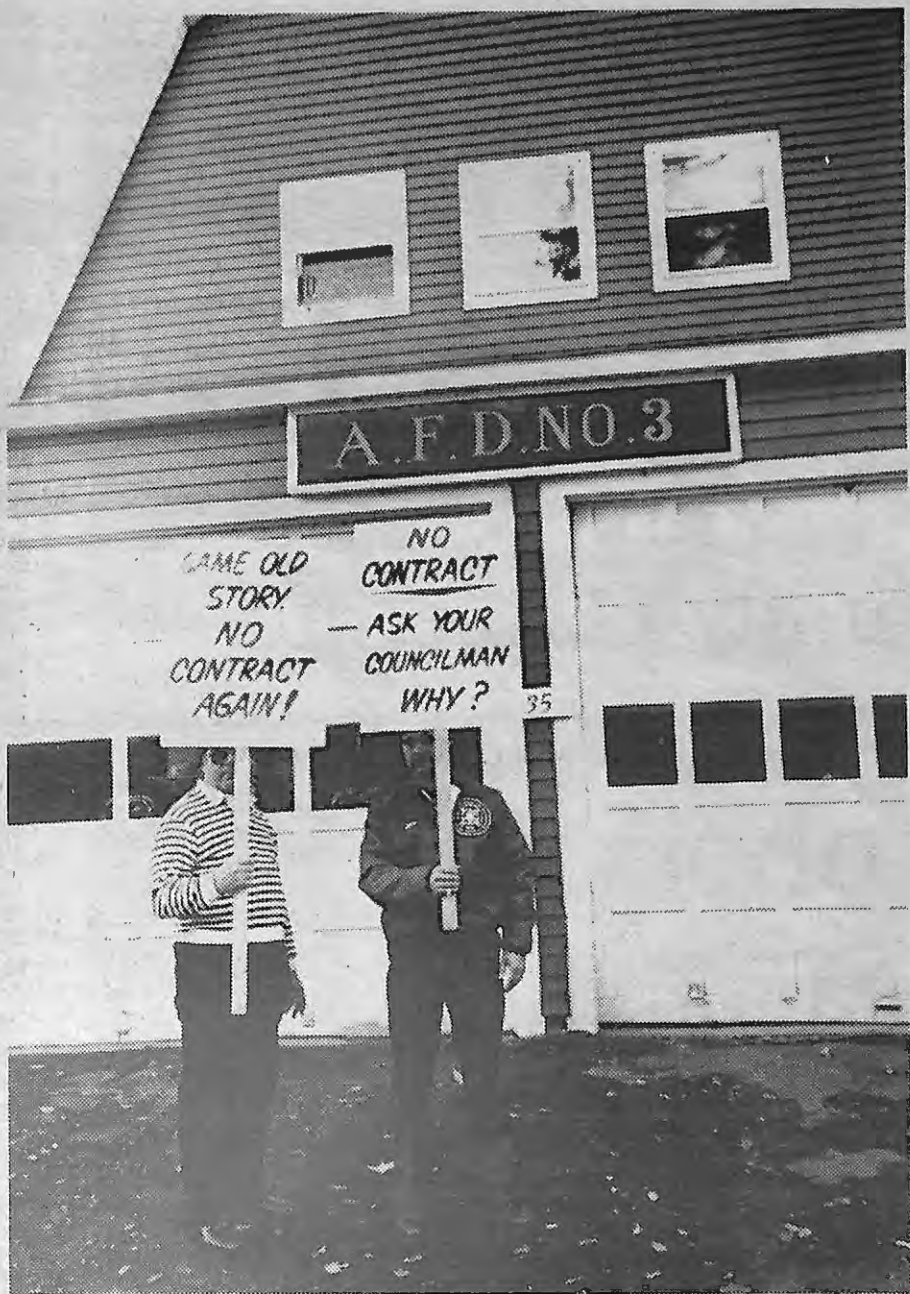
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Fire Dept. Unhappy Over Contract Rift



MEMBERS OF THE AGAWAM FIRE DEPARTMENT were picketing last week in front of both the Elm Street and Springfield Street Fire Stations to protest stalled contract talks with the town administration. The signs vividly describe the position of the union about the stalemate. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.

DPW Says October 23rd Last Day For Water Connect.

The Agawam Department of Public Works announces that Friday, October 23rd, is the last date for applying for water connections, water connection renewals, sanitary sewer connections, or storm drain connections for installation prior to this winter.

Connections applied for after this date will not be installed until the Spring of 1988. This notice does not apply to the homes in areas where connections have previously been installed to the property line.

**John P. Stone, Supt.
Department of Public Works**

Agawam Chamber To Sponsor Legislative Breakfast

The Agawam Chamber of Commerce will hold its Legislative Breakfast, Friday, October 30th, at 7:30 a.m., at Agawam Congregational Church, 745 Main Street.

Program for the breakfast will be "Health and Auto Insurance Reform—Where Do We Stand?" Speakers will be Senator Linda Melconian on "Auto Insurance Reform," and Representative Michael Walsh on "Health Insurance Reform." Moderator will be Peter Forastiere of Colonial Funeral Home.

Auto insurance reform is a subject very much in the news. As chairwoman of the Insurance Committee, Senator Melconian is well informed on the subject and will update us on this issue.

Mandated health insurance is a controversial subject which will affect every company. Representative Walsh, vice chairman of the Insurance Committee, will tell us what is happening with this issue.

The breakfast menu, catered by White Glove Caterers, will include fresh fruit, juice, scrambled eggs, bacon, ham, home fries, french toast, toast, muffins, sweet rolls, coffee, tea. Price is \$7 per person.

For reservations, call Agawam Chamber of Commerce, 787-1540.

New Tax Rules On Alimony Says IRS

Divorced and separated persons who pay or receive alimony under a court agreement should know how changes in the new tax law affects them, the Internal Revenue Service says.

The limitations on alimony or separate maintenance payments have been eased. Alimony or separate maintenance payments need be made only during the first three post-separation years rather than six. Also, the amount of annual payments that are exempt from the front-loading limitation is increased to \$15,000 (from \$10,000).

"Alimony may be deductible by the person paying it if certain requirements are met," District Director John D. Johnson said. If the alimony is deductible by the payer, it is taxable to the recipient.

Free IRS Publication 504, "Tax Information for Divorced or Separated Individuals," explains the tax treatment of alimony in more detail. Taxpayers may order the publication by calling 1-800-424-3676.

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Lacienski Slams State For Rte. 57 Position

It has recently been announced that the Route 57 Extension may be built only as far as South Westfield Street, Town Council candidate Daniel J. Lacienski today said.

"Over the objections of Councilors Donald Rheault and Edward Borgotti, the State seems to want to short-change the Town of Agawam once again. The State's proposal is to construct the remainder of the road in two phases. The State claims it will require some two years to study the environmental impact on the portion of the road from South Westfield Street to the Southwick line," said Lacienski.

"I find it hard to believe that the State DEQE can file an Environmental Impact Report on the Fluor Vicon Trash Burning Plant on the banks of a major river with all the possible land, air, and water impact in a matter of six months, but now wants almost two years to evaluate the impact of a two-lane road on the nesting area of the wood duck.

"What is also unbelievable is that if the wood duck appears to be inconvenienced by this road, an alternative, which has been on the books for at least 10 years will be used. Would it not be reasonable to use the alternative route to begin with, thus eliminating the possible delay or worst of all, the project stalling even longer?

"If the road is not completed, streets such as Northwood, Granger Drive, Kellogg, Yale, Hendom Drive, Elmar, Paul Revere Drive, and Pheasant Hill will be used as short cuts to avoid Feeding Hills Center.

"If the road is not completed, major traffic flow from every direction trying to access Route 57 will mix with the students walking to Granger Elementary School, grades kindergarten to four. Also remember those students that have to walk to the Agawam Junior High.

"If the alternative route is followed to completion, none of the above will come to reality. And also what appears to some people to be the most important — the wood duck will not have its nesting area disturbed.

"One final thought — the concept of constructing Route 57 in phases is not new. It was originally planned in two phases, with Phase Two to proceed shortly after Phase I completion back in 1956.

"Do it to us once, shame on you.

"Do it to us twice, shame on us. Enough said," concluded Lacienski.

Saracino Praises Vote To Buy Elderly Van

Town Councilor Anthony Saracino today said in a prepared release he was "pleased as punch" after the Agawam Town Council recently passed his proposal to purchase a new van for the town's senior citizens, to be operated by the Agawam Senior Center.

Saracino said, "The approval of this purchase will go a long way in reducing the problem of many of our citizens in finding transportation to medical treatment, food shopping, and personal needs.

"Senior citizens have done much for me in the past and I am happy to have been able to help them with the addition of this new van," Saracino concluded.

Fundraiser Rallies Support For Mrs. Fuller



AT A FUNDRAISER/RECEPTION at the Captain Charles Leonard House for Jessie Fuller, a School Committee member who is seeking a seat on the Town Council, supporters Barbara Yeager, Bernice Burton, and Marie Kellogg discuss the campaign with Mrs. Fuller (second from right). Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



COUNCIL CANDIDATE JESSIE FULLER looks over her guest list at her recent fundraiser with campaign treasurer Donald McCave (left) and her son, Mark; in photo right, Mrs. Fuller discusses the day's events with Syliva Deliso, her campaign manager. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.



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Editorial

LETTERS to the EDITOR

Let's Set Record Straight On Vicon

To The Editor:

With regard to *The Springfield Sunday Republican's* editorial, "Pittsfield Plant Shows The Way," we, of the Agawam Coalition Against Incineration want to clarify a few points.

Regardless of endorsement by the State DEQE, there is a BIG difference between the Agawam/Springfield plant sites. Pittsfield is located in a high elevation while Agawam is in a valley. The Agawam/Feeding Hills communities have a high incidence of allergy and respiratory diseases. These are two reasons why we feel the Fluor Vicon incinerator is a potential health hazard.

One of several questions was left unanswered in the October 7th public hearing: Will there be health compensation in years to come IF physical problems arise due to the incinerator?

According to the editorial, "Opponents of the plant have offered objections but no alternatives." **UNTRUE.** For anyone who has attended Town Council meetings in Agawam, you know that the Coalition has repeatedly discussed composting and recycling, both of which could work as safer and healthier prospects. Apparently, NO ONE has been listening!

Our primary concern has been and still is maintaining optimal health for Agawam and surrounding communities. Can you think of a worthier goal for any organization?

Bunny Converse
Merrill Drive
Agawam

Not Presenting All The Facts

To The Editor:

The Springfield Sunday Republican's opinion columnist is obviously not presenting all the facts on an important issue.

Comments made in reference to opponents of the incinerator (ACAI and Mass Fair Share) not offering alternatives are false. Alternatives such as composting, recycling, and hazardous waste collection have been, and are advocated by both groups, and were presented at the Agawam Town Council meeting October 7th.

If the *Union-News* reporter stayed with his appointed story until the meeting ended, he may (?) have reported the whole story without any bias! (Isn't that what journalism's all about?)

Furthermore, the State DEQE allows permissible levels of lead, mercury, and dioxin to be emitted that are higher than those allowed by the Federal EPA. In fact, the EPA finds no level of dioxin emission to be safe!

The study presented to the State DEQE from Fluor Vicon was a developer-funded study. Emission levels listed were for an efficiency rating of 98-99 percent. As most homeowners and thermal efficiency engineers know, combustion efficiency of "state of the art" furnaces operate at only 80-88 percent efficiency.

If Fluor Vicon has same new combustion breakthrough, they would be better advised to sell home heating units!

The October 7th meeting must have raised some doubts in the councilors' minds to the accuracy of information from the incinerator's proponents (to reschedule a meeting and vote until October 13th).

Any citizen who feels that they are not being fairly represented in this affair, should contact their council member or representative. They must listen (elections are at hand!)

Russell Petrucci
Agawam

Shocked At Shaughnessy's Finish

To The Editor:

After reading the results on Primary Day, I was shocked at the low voter turnout for this most important election. A major change is being made in Agawam government. There will now be 11 councilmen to represent our town.

I find it hard to believe that a man of Jack Shaughnessy's concerns and interests in this town was placed in a position where he could possibly not win one of the 11 seats.

Is the apathy in Agawam so great that we cannot recognize a good councilman?

Sincerely,
Florida T. Tangocci
44 Howard Street
Agawam

Mrs. Nelsen's Attendance Blasted

To The Editor:

While voting last Tuesday and looking at all the names on the ballot, I realized that I, like most of the citizens in Agawam, did not know much about the individuals running for office. I do, from time to time, read about some of these people in the newspapers but out of curiosity I decided to do a little research.

What I found in one case was so appalling and so infuriated me that I was prompted to write this letter.

When I vote for a council member, I vote for someone to represent me. Webster defines representative as "one who stands or acts for another." But when these representatives do not attend meetings, they are shirking their duties as a council member.

Councilwoman Dorothy Nelsen, in my opinion, is the worst offender in this area. Since January 1st, 1987, Councilor Nelsen has missed 40 percent of the meetings of the Town Council. Prior to the last meeting in September (which she attended but arrived late), she had not attended a meeting since May. Her attendance was so poor that Councilor Harpin once questioned the Council President to find out if Councilor Nelsen was ill. This same councilor has also not attended many of the budget hearings as far as I can determine.

Councilor Andrew Gallano has recently said that the councilors who want to increase their salary are wrong to ask for more money. In Mrs. Nelsen's case, not only does she not deserve more money, but 40 percent of her paycheck should be returned to the town for non-performance.

We have in the past elections and in this present election, good public officials, who, because of business or personal commitments, could not devote the necessary time to the elected office they held. These individuals chose not to run for reelection rather than do a less than adequate job. Obviously, Mrs. Nelsen does not fit into this category.

Sincerely,
Valerie Douglas
Federal Street
Agawam

Retirement Board Public Hearing

To The Editor:

Please be advised that Hampden County Treasurer and Chairman of the Retirement Board, Rose Marie Coughlin, has announced a series of community office hours to take place throughout Hampden County.

The purpose of this series of office hours is to familiarize the public with the operation of the County Retirement System and to answer any questions pertaining to retirement and retirement law.

One of the planned community office hours will take place at the Agawam High School cafeteria, Thursday, October 22nd, from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. Employees, retirees, and public officials of the Town of Agawam and the Agawam Housing Authority are invited to attend this meeting.

Sincerely,
Rose Marie Coughlin, Treasurer
Board of Retirement

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF AGAWAM AGAWAM CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Agawam Conservation Commission will hold a Public Hearing on Thursday, October 22, 1987, at 7:15 P.M., in the Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper Street, Agawam, MA. This hearing, pursuant to the provisions of General Laws Chapter 131, Section 40, is called to act upon the petition of The Commonwealth of Mass. Dept. of Public Works to perform work subject to the Act Reconstructing of Route 57.

PER ORDER OF AGAWAM CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Henry Kozloski, Chairman

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TOWN OF AGAWAM BOARD OF APPEALS

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals will give a hearing in the Community Room of the Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper Street, on WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 28, 1987 at 7:30 P.M. o'clock, to all parties interested in the appeal of SPRINGFIELD CONGREGATE HOUSING, INC. who is seeking a Special Permit in accordance with Sections 20-11, and 20-40 (c) of the Zoning Ordinance to allow for the construction of a 150 unit congregate living facility with a 30 bed nursing home to be located on a 12.6 acre parcel of land identified as the rear of ADAMS STREET AND BUTTERNUT DRIVE.

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Ronald LaRiviere, Chairman



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FIRE-WISE

by Fire Chief Rusty Jenks

Get Out And Don't Come Back

You're always careful about fire safety. You never smoke in bed. You are cautious about electrical and heating appliances, following manufacturers' instructions for safe use and never leaving them unattended.

You're careful when cooking. You have smoke detectors; test them every month and replace batteries every year. But suppose some night, very late, when your family is sleeping, a fire starts in your home. The Agawam Fire Department would like you to consider what might happen.

Somehow, a small fire has started. It smolders for awhile, but soon your smoke detectors begin to sound. You awake to a loud, harsh alarm: the smoke detector! As you awaken, you realize you can smell the smoke and hear faint crackling sounds.

Keeping low, you roll out of bed into a crouching position on the floor. You remember reading that the air in the upper half or two-thirds of the room is full of poison gases and other smoke products. So you stay low and crawl toward the door.

Before you open it, you reach your hand up and feel the door and knob. They are hot so you know the fire is close by and you can't go out that way. You shout to other members of your family to alert them; each call backs that they are doing fine and heading for their alternate exits.

Your turn and crawl toward your bedroom window. When you get to the window you pull up the folding escape ladder you bought at the neighborhood hardware store last fall when you noticed with surprise its low price. You reach up, open the window, and lift the lightweight ladder, dropping its end out the window as the top end remains firmly linked over the window sill. You know your daughter will get out of her room the same way, while your two sons will crawl out their window onto the porch roof and climb down by themselves.

You hoist yourself through the window and climb down the ladder. You head straight for the end of your driveway near the street where you have all planned to meet in case of fire. Your sons are running up as you approach the spot. Your teenage daughter is walking toward you, too, trying to look casual. She volunteers to go next door to call the fire department.

Your youngest son remembers his pet iguana and is disappointed, wanting to go back inside and rescue it, but he says sadly that he knows he can't. Still, he watches his bedroom window intently and says he hopes his pet will be okay.

Your daughter is back in a few minutes and reports that the call has been made. Soon you hear the sound of fire sirens as they approach. One by one the fire trucks and the officers' cars pull up near your house. As the firefighters go about their business, you can see the fire through the windows, and you're grateful that you and your family are safely outside.

That's exactly how it would happen at your house, isn't it? If you're not sure your family would get out as smoothly, why not sit down together tonight to work on an emergency escape plan, including alternate escape routes and a meeting place? If you would like some helpful advice, ask the fire department. They'll be glad to help. Don't leave it to chance.

PLEASE REMEMBER that our deadline is every Tuesday at noontime for both display advertising, news copy, and classifieds. To guarantee best location and publication, please get yours in as early as possible.

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COUNCILMAN JACK SHAUGHNESSY wishes to
THANK THOSE WHO SUPPORTED HIM in the
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The Agawam Advertiser-News

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**TOWN OF AGAWAM
AGAWAM TOWN COUNCIL
PROPOSED
ZONE CHANGE HEARING
TOWN OF AGAWAM
IN THE YEAR ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED
AND EIGHTY SEVEN
AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ZONING ORDINANCE
BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE
TOWN OF AGAWAM AS FOLLOWS:**

The zoning ordinance passed and approved on December 21, 1972 to take effect on January 1, 1973, entitled "Zoning" is hereby amended by changing from Agricultural to Residence A-2 located at the Westerly End of Clover Hill Dr. known as lots 134 thru 138 in Feeding Hills, Hampden County, Massachusetts, bounded and described as follows:

PARCEL I

A lot of land in that part of Agawam, Hampden County, Massachusetts, known as Feeding Hills, known and designated as Lots 136 (One Hundred Thirty-Six), 137 (One Hundred Thirty-Seven), and 138 (One Hundred Thirty-Eight) as shown on a plan recorded in Hampden County Registry of Deeds in Book of Plans 142, Pages 106 and 107 described in one parcel as follows:

Beginning at the southwesterly corner of Lot 61 (sixty-one) as shown on said plan and bounded by Lot 61 (sixty-one) a distance of One Hundred Fifty-Nine and 43/100 (159.43) feet; thence bounded Northerly by Clover Hill Drive a total distance of Three Hundred One and 29/100 (301.29) feet to a stone bound; thence bounded Northwesterly at the intersection of the said Clover Hill Drive and Woodhaven Road by a curve having an arc distance of Thirty-Nine and 27/100 (39.27) feet to a stone bound; thence bounded Westerly by the said Woodhaven Road a distance of One Hundred Thirty-Four and 43/100 (134.43) feet; thence bounded Southerly by land now or formerly of John Jeserski a total distance of Three Hundred Twenty-Six and 29/100 (326.29) feet to the point of beginning.

PARCEL II

A Lot of land in that part of Agawam, Hampden County, Massachusetts, known as Feeding Hills, known and designated as Lots 134 (One Hundred Thirty-Four) and 135 (One Hundred Thirty-Five) as shown on a plan recorded in Hampden County Registry of Deeds in Book of Plans 142, Pages 106 and 107 described in one parcel as follows:

Beginning at the southwesterly corner of Lot 60 (Sixty) as shown on said plan and bounded Easterly by said Lot 60 (Sixty) a distance of One Hundred Fifty-Five and 57/100 (155.57) feet; thence bounded Northerly by Lot 59 (Fifty-Nine) on said plan a distance of Ninety and no/100 (90.00) feet; thence bounded Northwesterly by Lot 133 (One Hundred Thirty-Three) on said plan a distance of Forty-Nine and 77/100 (49.77) feet; thence bounded Northerly Again by the said Lot 133 (One Hundred Thirty-Three) a distance of One Hundred Eighty-Five and 87/100 (185.87) feet; thence bounded Westerly by Woodhaven Road a distance of Eighty-Five and no/100 (85.00) feet to a stone bound; thence bounded Southwesterly at the intersection of the said Woodhaven Road and Clover Hill Drive by a curve with an arc distance of Thirty-Nine and 27/100 (39.27) feet to a stone bound; thence bounded Southerly by the said Clover Hill Drive a total distance of Two Hundred Seventy and 87/100 (270.87) feet to the place of beginning.

An ordinance now before the Town Council.

The Agawam Town Council will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, November 4, 1987 at 8:00 P.M. in the Agawam Public Library Community Room, 750 Cooper Street, Agawam, MA on the above petitioned zone change of Gary Suffriti.

U. Retzler, Town Council Clerk

Published: October 15, 1987

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TOWN OF AGAWAM APPROVED ORDINANCE TOR-87-19

An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 14, Article III, Section 14-11 of the Code of the Town of Agawam WHEREAS, in order to meet the State Law with regard to the minimum wage increase (\$3.65 per hour effective July 1, 1987), the Town of Agawam wishes to reflect the following changes:

NOW THEREFORE, Chapter 14, Article III, Section 14-11 of the Code of the Town of Agawam entitled "Unclassified Positions" is hereby amended by deleting and adding the following effective July 1, 1987:

DELETE	
RATES PER HOUR	
Cashier	3.55
Snack Bar Attendant	3.55
Locker Room Attendant	3.55
ADD	
RATES PER HOUR	
Cashier	3.65
Snack Bar Attendant	3.65
Locker Room Attendant	3.65

DATED THIS 5th DAY OF October, 1987
PER ORDER OF THE AGAWAM TOWN COUNCIL
Donald M. Rheault, President
Agawam Town Council
APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY
Ralph L. Atkins, Town Solicitor

Published: October 15, 1987

Savings Bond Interest Taxable According to IRS Rules

When cashing U.S. Savings Bonds or Treasury Bills, remember that the interest must be reported as taxable income, the Internal Revenue Service says.

"Bank tellers sometimes forget to give the taxpayer Form 1099, which states how much interest a savings bond has earned," District Director John D. Johnson said.

Banks do report this interest payment to the IRS, so it is important that taxpayers keep the form and remember to include the information when filing their federal taxes.

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AGAWAM TOWN COUNCIL

MUNICIPAL EVENTS

GRAND NATIONAL AUTO

Thursday, October 15th
Planning Board Meeting
Public Library
7:30 P.M.

Thursday, October 15th
Board of Appeals
Town Hall Annex
7:30 P.M.

Monday, October 19th
Town Council Meeting
Public Library
8:00 P.M.

Tuesday, November 3rd
MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS
Polls Open All Day
At Seven Precinct Sites

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VOTERS, HAD ENOUGH?

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His Debts In Sherevesport, Louisiana

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FROM 1978 TO 1985

His Debts In Arkeny, Iowa

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His Debts Now In Agawam

\$31,000

He Should Leave Quietly And Not Further Embarrass Our Community.

How True To Life It Is That The Faults, Inabilities, Willful Law Breaking, Violations Of Rules, Regulations, And Ordinances Always Surface When The Guilty Have Been Caught And Then Asked To Leave.

I Speak Of The Many Pitfalls That Have Beset Agawam During This Form Of Government.

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Families

Turnverein Holds Annual Giant Tag Sale



AT THE SPRINGFIELD TURNVEREIN, Garden Street, Feeding Hills, Saturday, October 10th, Frank Astaldi accepts a buck from Shirley LaBaff as payment for an item Shirley picked-up at the club's Annual Giant Tag Sale. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



LOOKING OVER A TABLE OF odds and ends at the Springfield Turnverein's Annual Giant Tag Sale, Saturday, October 10th, are Pearl & Robert Weber. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

St. Anthony's Maronite Church

375 Island Pond Road, Springfield

Fall Harvest Bazaar

Fri. — Oct. 23 — 5 P.M. To 8 P.M.
Sat. — Oct. 24 — 10 A.M. To 8 P.M.
Sun. — Oct. 25 — 9 A.M. To 12 P.M.

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THE FEEDING HILLS CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH will be celebrating its 225th anniversary on November 10th.

F.H. Congregational To Celebrate 225 Years

Pastor Reverend Jim Moore of the Feeding Hills Congregational Church announced that plans are being prepared to celebrate the 225th year that the church was organized, November 10th, 1762.

"Anniversary Sunday" has been set by the church committee for November 8th, and all events will take place at the church throughout the day starting at 10:00 a.m., with a Special Worship Service. Reverend Robert Johnson, area minister for the Massachusetts Conference of the United Church of Christ, is the guest speaker.

An Open House from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m., will include exhibits, pictures, and guided tours. Many visitors will be pleased to view the newly-redecorated church Sanctuary with its attractive carpeting, window drapes, seat cushions, choir section, and Chancel.

In the educational area, the children will show their

parents, relatives, and friends, a display of their handiwork. An extensive selection of pictures, taken from the early years of church life to the present day, have been assembled for viewing. "The Church History," edited by Naida King and Grace Clark, is in the exhibit.

Serving of the Anniversary Dinner takes place at 6:00 p.m., in the Church Social Halls, under the direction of Perry McCobb and Bertram Goodwin. Both men

will be honored for their 28 years of devoted service as chairmen of the church fundraising project held each year at the Eastern States Exposition.

Former ministers of the church that will be participating in the 225th Anniversary Celebration include Reverend Arthur Sweeney, giving the Invocation; Reverend Wilbur Sadleir, main speaker; and Reverend Bruce Bowen, Benediction. Interim Pastors, Reverend Robert Berkey and Reverend Paul Bomely, will attend with their wives.

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"In All My Years Working As Assistant Town Clerk For The Town Of Agawam, Dan Lacienski Was One Of The Most Capable And Hardest Working Councilors We Have Had. I Wish To Invite All Of My Friends And Neighbors To Join Me In Supporting Dan For Election".

Julia Montessi
Former Assistant Town Clerk

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CONGO. CHURCH From Page 13...

Also as honored guests will be Reverend Floyd Bryan of the Agawam Congregational Church, Reverend Donald Morris of the Agawam Baptist Church, and Reverend James Potter of the Valley Community Church. In the month of September, the members of the Agawam Congregational Church completed 21 years of faithful toil at The Big E, assisting Feeding Hills members with the meals concession.

State Representative Michael P. Walsh will present a Special Citation from the State House of Representatives and from Governor Michael Dukakis, to Reverend Jim Moore, recognizing the 225th Anniversary of the church.

It is planned to serve dinner to the children in the Sunday School section of the building with entertainment following their meal. All members of the church and their families are invited and encouraged to take part in the Anniversary Celebration November 8th.

Your host for this dinner, the Feeding Hills Congregational Church, came into existence on November 10th, 1762 following a petition to form a new parish which was presented and approved by the General Court of the Massachusetts Bay Colony on December 16th, 1757.

At a parish meeting on March 1st, 1758, it was voted to raise the sum of 17 pounds "in order to have the gospel preached amongst us here." Several itinerant preachers served the church a few weeks at a time until a call was issued and accepted by Sylvanus Griswold of Lyme, Connecticut. It was upon his arrival that the sixth parish of Springfield was organized as a church with nine members. From that beginning to the present, the Feeding Hills Congregational Church has been involved with the progress and growth of the village.

The first building, erected as a meeting house, was located in the "plains section" exactly where is not known. That first house of worship was dedicated in November, 1760. Having no heat it was said that people kept their feet warm by stamping them on the floor at certain times during the service. Two years after the dedication, Mr. Griswold came to become the first settled minister and was to serve the church until his death, a ministry that lasted for 57 years.

The first meeting house was moved from the plains area to Feeding Hills Center in 1799 where it served as the place of worship for the Congregationalists, Methodist and Baptists. This not being an ideal situation the Congregationalists withdrew and built their own house of worship which is the one presently in use by the congregation. It is located at the juncture of Route 187 and Route 57 in Feeding Hills, Massachusetts. This structure was completed around 1835.

Many alterations and additions have been made to the structure over the years. Besides the original sanctuary, there are modern educational rooms, two memorial halls, a large modern kitchen, church office and other needed rooms.

Over more than 200 years of its existence the church has experienced both lean and good years as have all churches. Today it stands in a very good position with its doors open to any who might be seeking spiritual guidance.

Florida Tangocci Lastest Artist At Library



RESIDENT FLORIDA TANGOCCI is the latest local artist to be featured at the Agawam Public Library. A "Meet The Artist Night" was held for Florida, Wednesday, October 7th. Advertiser News photo by Joan Lussier.

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Sweet Life Cream Cheese - 8 Oz.	79¢

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Cigarettes - King Size Filters - Carton	\$11.19
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Sweet Life Shortening - 3 Lb. Can	\$1.39
Sweet Life Tall Kitchen Bags - 15 Ct. Pkg.	79¢
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Sweet Life Cranberry - Cranapple - Cran Raspberry Juice - ½ Gal.	\$1.19
Master Blend Coffee - 13 Oz. Cans	\$1.99

Bananas	35¢ Lb.
Cantaloupes	79¢ Ea.
Idaho Potatoes - 5 Lb. Bag	99¢
Butternut & Acorn Squash	19¢ Lb.

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Boneless Shoulder Steak London Broil	\$1.69 Lb.
Boneless Shoulder Clod Raast	\$1.69 Lb.
Boneless Top Blade Steak	\$1.79 Lb.
Lean Stew Beef	\$2.29 Lb.
Fresh Ground Chuck (5 Lbs. Or More)	\$1.59 Lb.
Frozen Hamburg Patties - 5 Lb. Box	\$8.95
Sweet Life Bacon	\$1.49 Lb.
Sweet Life Beef Franks	\$1.69 Lb.

DELI

Land O' Lakes White American Cheese	\$2.39 Lb.
Sliced Turkey Breast	\$2.99 Lb.
Genoa Salami	\$2.99 Lb.
Muenster Cheese	\$2.39 Lb.

TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY SPECIAL

Fresh Grade A Chicken Breast - Whole	\$1.09 Lb.
Fresh Grade A Chicken Breast - Split	\$1.19 Lb.

FREEZER PLEASER

USDA Choice Whole Boneless Shoulder Clods	\$1.59 Lb.
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Louis E. Massoia, Jr.

Agawam School Committee

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3rd
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Annual Harvest Supper At Ag. Baptist Church



ARTHUR WARD & BEULAH BAILEY attack the meatballs and maraconi trays with vigor at the Annual Harvest Supper, Saturday, October 3rd, sponsored by the Agawam Baptist Church. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



DELICIOUS HOMEMADE PIES are a trademark of the women at the Agawam Baptist Church, and last Saturday night's Annual Harvest Supper was no exception. Proudly exhibiting a portion of the dessert table that was filled with those famous pies are Doris Catchepaugh and Helen Kane. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



PREPARING DEVILED EGGS at the Annual Harvest Supper sponsored by Agawam Baptist Church, Saturday, October 3rd, are Gertrude Porter and Vivian Roberts. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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Voters Of Agawam

Ben Lockhart

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ELECT TIM MURPHY

School Committee

Tuesday, November 3rd

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VOTE For A NEW CANDIDATE Who Will Care For Your Children

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MR. & MRS. MICHAEL J. PEPPER, JR.

Heidi Revaz Of Easthampton Weds Michael Pepper, Jr.

Mount Carmel Church, Springfield, was the setting for the August 2nd wedding of Heidi Revaz and Michael Pepper, Jr.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Fred Revaz of 116 Plain Street, Easthampton. Parents of the bridegroom are Mr. & Mrs. Michael Pepper, Sr., of 86 Fox Farm Road, Feeding Hills.

Holly Revaz attended her sister as maid of honor. Felix Pepper served his brother as best man. Kelli Pepper, Dana Pepper, Lisa Pepper, Lori Witkiewicz, Christine Kuzmeski, Lisa Tomasauckas, and Karie Newsome were bridesmaids, with Carla Patulo as flowergirl.

Jeff Revaz, Anthony Giancola, Dino Marafiat, John Pepper, Raymond Saegaert, Anthony Sgueglia, and Robert Christina served as ushers, with Chad Albano as ring bearer.

The bride is a graduate of Easthampton High School and is an assistant office manager at Luscher America, Inc., Hatfield.

The bridegroom is a graduate of Agawam High School and Springfield Technical Community College, and is employed by Northeast Utilities.

The couple honeymooned for two weeks in Jamaica and Florida.



MR. & MRS. JOSEPH D. SOPET

Donna M. Friberg Bride Of Mr. Sopet

Assumption College Chapel of the Holy Spirit, Worcester, was the setting for the September 12th wedding of Donna Marie Friberg and Joseph D. Sopet.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Donald R. Friberg of New Braintree, Massachusetts. The bridegroom is the son of Mrs. Loretta Sopet and the late John Sopet of Feeding Hills.

Susan Barley of Needham attended the bride as her maid of honor. Michael Sopet served his brother as best man.

The bride received a bachelor of arts degree (summa cum laude) from Assumption College, Worcester. She is employed by the Aetna Life and Casualty, Springfield, as a senior marketing representative.

Her husband is a graduate of Agawam High School. He is employed by the Agawam Department of Public Works.

Best Hometown News

Agawam Lions Club Annual Family Pancake Breakfast



**Agawam Middle School
Sunday, October 25, 1987
8:00 A.M. — 12 Noon**

\$2.00 Adults

\$1.00 Children

FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!



Lions' Fire Engine
Lions' Mascot

See Your Local Lion For Tickets Or
Tickets Are Available At The Door

Langone-Thomas Nuptials To Be Exchanged

The announcement is now made of the engagement and upcoming marriage of Miss Suzanne Linda Langone and Peter Wells Thomas.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Conrad Langone. Mr. Thomas is the son of Edward Thomas and the late Mrs. Thomas.

The wedding will be an event of October 24th, in St. Mary's Church, Boston.

Miss Langone is a graduate of the High School of Commerce and Springfield Technical Community College. She is an early childhood teacher at Pioneer Valley Children's Center, Agawam.

Mr. Thomas is a graduate of Boston and Lynn schools, and is employed by Eastern Airlines at Logan International Airport as an aircraft mechanic.

Ag. Recreation Department's 1988 "Miss Agawam" Pageant

After the absence of a pageant for several years, the Agawam Recreation Department will sponsor the all new "Miss Agawam" Contest. The program will be directed and produced by Lori Andruss-Boyle of the Miss International Beauty Queen Association. Mrs. Andruss-Boyle is a resident of Feeding Hills.

The event will take place Saturday, December 5th, 1987, at 7:30 p.m., in the Agawam High School Auditorium.

Two divisions will be set up—"Miss Teen," ages 12 to 14, and "Miss Agawam," ages 15 to 21. All applicants must be Agawam residents by January 1st, 1987.

Entry forms will be available at the recreation office, located at the Agawam High School, and at the Agawam Junior High School Office.

Completed applications must be returned to the recreation department with a \$10 registration fee. Judges for the contest will be members of the International Beauty Queen Association.

For further details, call Lori Andruss-Boyle, 789-2411.

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AGAWAM TOWN COUNCIL

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Saturday, October 17th
Arts & Crafts Show
Catholic Women's Club
St. John's Social Center
9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Saturday, October 17th
Pancake Breakfast
Faith United Church
Sumner & Fort Pleasant Avenues
Springfield
8:00 a.m. to noontime

Sunday, October 18th
Annual Pancake Breakfast
Agawam High Gridiron Moms
Middle School
8:00 a.m. to noontime

Monday, October 19th
Fashion Show By Sal's Boutique
Benefit Camp Rainbow
Italian Sporting Club
7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, October 20th
Junior Women's Club Meeting
Officer Wayne Macey - Speaker
Captain Charles Leonard House
7:30 p.m.



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Spotlight On Business...

Holiday House Gifts Offers Many Colorful Seasonal Gifts, Crafts

by Joan Lussier
Advertiser News Staff

"Everything is in our shop from ribbons to wood, candles to brass, and toys to Christmas Tree ornaments," says Claire O'Toole, describing the shop she co-owns with her sister, Peg Ryan, called **Holiday House Gifts**, on Springfield Street, Feeding Hills.

Open for two years, Claire says, "We've kept our prices as low as they can be, and we undersell most places around here."

To keep prices low, Claire and Peg buy closeouts, samples, and go to auctions. Besides a quality item at a low price, many items are unique because they are one-of-a-kind samples.

There is one manufacturer that is popular at Holiday House—Overly Raker, from the Amish area of Pennsylvania. This company supplies many of the cloth dolls and stuffed items, such as ducks, geese, and Halloween pumpkins, which are all handmade, to the shop.

As the name implies, **Holiday House** changes decor to match the approaching seasons. Right now the shop is filled with stuffed witches, costing about \$20; little scarecrows, starting at \$2.99; and three foot scarecrows, costing \$22.99. There are also Halloween masks, costumes, and make-up, all reasonably priced.

Christmas items are starting to be displayed. Red velvet tree ornaments, as well as other ornaments, are three for \$2.

Holiday House has an assortment of almost everything, featuring hand-carved wood geese, \$7.50; lamps, \$7.99 and \$9.99; hand-made wood wreaths, small, \$12.99, large, \$14.99; music boxes, from \$8.99-\$22.99; crystal stemware, \$1.99; candles, 25 cents each; porcelain dolls by Brinn, with certificates



THE HARVEST and HALLOWEEN SEASON is always a good one for local crafts shops, and the Holiday House Gifts in Feeding Hills Center is no exception, as this picture clearly shows. (Additional picture on Page 20). Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

of authenticity, for \$24.99, and many more items.

Claire and Peg come from a Boston family of 12 children. Both sisters live in Feeding Hills with their own families. Claire says, "Our family has been a wonderful support for us."

Holiday House accepts personal checks and cash only. The hours are Tuesday to Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., and Sunday, 12:00 to 5:00 p.m. Starting Oc-

tober 15th, they will be open on Thursdays and Fridays until 8:00 p.m.

"Once a customer comes in, they almost always come back. Sometimes, they even ask if the tagged price is correct because the price is so low," says Claire. "It's a great place for people to start their holiday shopping."



GHOSTS, PUMPKINS, and Scarecrows will greet customers when entering Holiday House Gifts. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

HOME OF THE WEEK



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Many parents who are concerned about their children's physical and emotional development are finding that gymnastic instruction is well able to serve these needs. Besides teaching a skill which may take your child to the Olympics, the instructors at **New England Gymnastics**, located at 33 Russo Circle in Agawam, phone **786-4686**, have found that many of their students possess greater coordination and confidence as a result of learning this art of movement.

Learning here is always an enjoyable experience. The modern facilities are among the best in the entire area. Their instructors, William Jones, Joe Saimeri and Anne Rosa, specialize in gymnastics rather than teach it only as a sideline. **New England Gymnastics** offers classes for children beginning at age two. Older youths and adults can also enroll in beginning, intermediate and advanced classes. All olympic events are taught for boys are girls including balance beam, uneven bars, vaulting, floor exercise and trampoline.

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Agawam Chiropractic Office

No profession has made greater or more rapid strides in recent years than that of the chiropractic. This health profession is being recognized by more and more people as an effective treatment for back pain as well as for muscular and joint discomfort, headaches, arm and leg pain, and general physical discomfort.

At the **Agawam Chiropractic Office**, located at 100 Main Street in Agawam, phone **786-7388**, they have been extensively trained and educated to know and understand the nervous system of the human body. The nervous system may be said to be the life line of the body and as long as it functions normally you enjoy excellent health. Many pains and disorders in the body are caused by pressure on nerves and nerve flow blockage along the spinal column. This blockage and pressure results from improper alignment and positioning of your vertebrae and your spinal column.

At the **Agawam Chiropractic Office**, they are able to locate the place along the spine where nerve pressure exists. With the use of x-ray and proper adjustment, they may be able to restore your spine and vertebrae to their normal position without the use of surgery or drugs. It has often been said, that with the help of a good chiropractor, you can add life to your years and years to your life.

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Nicholson & Carmon Funeral Home

Time and service have honored the name **Nicholson & Carmon Funeral Home**, located at 443 East Street (Route 159) in Suffield, phone **668-7324**. For many years, this reputable firm has served the people of this area reliably and well. They offer dignified, affordable service to families of all faiths. These funeral directors can offer you a full service or simple funeral within the means of every family.

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Auto Masters of Agawam Ask For Tony Or Dan

No car will run forever without proper care and maintenance. At some time or other, we must all drive our car in to be serviced. In this area, wise motorists go straight to the experienced professionals at **Auto Masters of Agawam**, located at 12 School Street in Agawam, phone **789-3455**. Here, their reputation is backed by many years of excellent service and many satisfied customers.

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Arrow Fuel Oils Dave Greco, Owner

Peace of mind is that extra something that costs you nothing extra when you call **Arrow Fuel Oils**, located at 158 Feeding Hills Road in Southwick, phone **569-3312**. You can rest assured that all of your heating needs will be professionally taken care of when you call this reliable firm.

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Central Security Systems Richard Brown, Owner

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Americans have had a long and growing love affair with credit, many embracing the buy-now, pay-later lifestyle. It has never been easier to acquire—and abuse—credit purchases. By the time many people with financial difficulties seek aid, they are deeply in debt to creditors. Often, the only alternatives seem to be bankruptcy, drastic changes in lifestyles or voluntary repossession of assets.

No matter how bleak your financial future looks, the **Pioneer Valley Consumer Credit Counseling Service** is available to provide assistance and counseling. Located at 293 Bridge Street in Springfield, phone **788-6106**, they are experienced in all phases of credit and finance. A trained counselor will sit down with you and help you compile a workable monthly budget and repayment plan. Many consumers qualify for a "debt management program" in which this reliable firm negotiates for reduced payments with the creditors. The debt clearing process can be a lengthy procedure, but with professional assistance from this reliable firm, you can overcome those credit difficulties.

Good credit is one of the most valuable assets an individual can possess. When you need assistance with financial problems, give the **Pioneer Valley Consumer Credit Counseling Service** a call. With the right help, debts can be repaid and a good credit record can be re-established.

Southwick Auto Body

Gary Macaulay, Owner

Southwick Auto Body specializes in all phases of auto collision and fender work as well as auto painting. The place to have your car body repaired or painted is at **Southwick Auto Body**, located at 106-B Foster Road in Southwick, Massachusetts, phone **569-0304**.

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When you need collision work or a paint job on your car, why not bring it to the same place so many other satisfied people do? Their 24-hour towing service makes it convenient, and their expert service makes it a must. Remember the name **Southwick Auto Body**, and be assured of a first-class job. (For an unlimited time, bring this article to the shop and receive a \$25 discount).

Meadowrock Kennels

If you're planning a trip out of town and have to leave your special pet, the question arises which kennel should be called? People in this area have learned for the ultimate in boarding care to call the **Meadowrock Kennels**, located at 616 South Street in Suffield, phone **668-7128**.

Their excellent facilities include individual runs, large exercise areas, experienced, friendly personnel, and veterinarians on call 24-hours a day. At **Meadowrock Kennels**, your pet will receive only the finest in balanced, quality meals during its stay. If you are moving, they will board your pet and ship him to his new home when you are ready. They carry a complete line of dog supplies including flea and tick products, collars, leashes, bowls and grooming aids. They sell quality dog food such as *Abady*, *Blue Seal*, *Eukanuba*, *Jams* and *Kennel Biscuit* at wholesale prices. They also feature expert grooming of all breeds by highly skilled professionals, and are AKC breeders of St. Bernards, English Springer Spaniels, and Field Brittany Spaniels.

For your peace of mind, be sure to call the **Meadowrock Kennels** when you must be away and a kennel is needed. You will feel secure knowing your pet is receiving the best care possible. Stop in soon, your inspection is invited at any time.

Christian Book Store

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Nothing makes a more beautiful or meaningful gift than a new Bible. For a gift that will give pleasure for years to come, visit the **Christian Book Store**, conveniently located at 1839 Wilbraham Road in Springfield, phone **783-2903**.

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Pam Battles, Manager

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Sooner or later, we need financial counseling for our home. If you have any questions concerning your present financing or need assistance regarding a proposed venture, give **First Mortgage & Financial Services** a call today. You will appreciate their combination of professional integrity with old-fashioned courtesy.

Debbie Wong Chinese-American Restaurant

You enter into an oriental culinary paradise when you step into the **Debbie Wong Chinese-American Restaurant**, located in West Springfield at 1053-A Riverdale Road, phone **781-1711**, and also in Springfield at 1168 Boston Road, phone **782-3133**. Call ahead for take-out orders and have your food hot and ready when you arrive.

Tantalizing Szechuan, Mandarin and Cantonese dishes comprise the lunch and dinner menus. The wide selection of foods, delicately prepared by their expertly trained chefs, include everything from popular Chinese and American favorites to perfectly seasoned hot and spicy dishes. At the **Debbie Wong Chinese-American Restaurant**, they offer something for everyone, regardless of whether you're in the mood for a beef, pork, chicken, seafood or combination dinner plate. MasterCard, VISA and major credit cards are accepted.

Remember, for a truly unique dining experience, bring your family and friends to the **Debbie Wong Chinese-American Restaurant**. Discover for yourself the finest in Chinese cuisine, or call **781-1711** or **782-3133** for take-out service.

Spotlight On Business - continued....

Calabrese Receives "Builder Of Year" Award

The Home Builders Association of Massachusetts has chosen Charles R. Calabrese of Agawam "1987 Builder of the Year."

The award, sponsored by MerchantsBank of Boston, is given annually to the Massachusetts builder who has made a significant contribution to the residential construction industry, the Home Builders Association and the community.

Calabrese, founder of Calabrese Construction Company, has been an active real estate developer in Western Massachusetts for 42 years. Calabrese was selected based on his success in the industry, his leadership involvement in the Home Builders Association of Greater Springfield, and his many outstanding contributions to the community.

"Charlie Calabrese has done it all. For more than 42 years, he has been the most prominent, enthusiastic builder in Western Massachusetts. Charlie is a distinguished, active community leader who epitomizes the best in our industry," says Roymond E. Laplante, president of the Home Builders Association

of Greater Springfield.

David Smith, immediate past president of the National Association of Home Builders and Andrews Macalaster, former president and chairman of the board of MerchantsBank, presented the award recently at the Home Builder's annual convention in Rockport, Maine. "It's an honor for MerchantsBank to be able to recognize a person such as Charlie Calabrese whose accomplishments make him an ideal choice for "1987 Builder of the Year," says Macalaster.

MerchantsBank of Boston has sponsored the Builder of the Year award since its inception in 1961. MerchantsBank is a Boston area thrift banking institution with total assets of approximately \$450 million. It conducts its mortgage banking activities through its subsidiary Farragut Mortgage Company, and also provides investment advisory, mutual fund management, and securities brokerage and investment banking services through its subsidiaries Fort Hill Investors Management Corporation, Nova Advisors, Inc., and McKinley Allsopp, Inc.



RECEIVING THE "1987 Builder of the Year" from David Smith (left), immediate past president, is Charles R. Calabrese of Agawam. Calabrese received the award from the Home Builders Association of Massachusetts.



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Officer Wayne Macey Slated To Address Junior Women

On Tuesday, October 20th, at 7:30 p.m., the Agawam Junior Women's Club will hold their monthly meeting at the Captain Charles Leonard House, Main Street. Agawam Police Crime Prevention Officer, Wayne Macey, will speak about Project D.A.R.E, the anti-drug campaign aimed at students in the school system.

The Junior's are also planning a busy year. Upcoming on November 15th at the Colosseum Banquet House, West Springfield, the Annual Fashion Show will be sponsored by Holly Henion Ihloff, a designer from Granby, Massachusetts.

Also, Junior members are reminded to bring candy for the Halloween bags for the Children's Study Home. Food donations for the Clearing House project, which will enable food baskets to be made-up for Agawam's needy families at Thanksgiving are also requested.

Anyone interested in more information about the club, please contact Verna Urbanski, 732-4802.

Faith United Church Plans Annual Pancake Breakfast

Faith United Church, Sumner and Fort Pleasant Avenues, Springfield, will be the site of the 4th Annual Blueberry Pancake Breakfast, Saturday, October 17th. Meals will include pancakes, sausages, juice, and beverages, and will be served from 8:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.

Donation for adults is \$2.75. Children are \$2.25. Families will be served at \$10 for the average group.

After the meal, patrons will be able to purchase homebaked blueberry muffins and pies prepared by the ladies of the church.

Men of Faith Church use the proceeds of the sale to fund extra-budget projects in the fellowship.

Further information may be obtained by calling the church office, 739-4728.

Catholic Women's Club Planning Annual Crafts Show

The Catholic Women's Club of Agawam is sponsoring its Annual Arts & Crafts show, Saturday, October 17th, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., in St. John's Church Social Center, Main Street, Agawam.

Many dealers will be displaying a large variety of crafts for sale.

Pot-Luck Supper For F.H. Women's Club



THE FEEDING HILLS WOMEN'S CLUB held their Annual Potluck Supper, Wednesday, October 7th, at the Community Grange. Pictured, from left - Ellie Boissonneault, Joshua Duncan, Marian Duncan, Thelma Gardner, and Rita Matys. Advertiser News photo by Joan Lussier.

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Agawam Women's Club Hear PVPC Planner



PHYLLIS CATCHEPAUGH, treasurer of the Agawam Women's Club, gives her report at the club's recent meeting, held at the Captain Charles Leonard House. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



KELLIE DOHERTY (left) assistant planner for the Pioneer Valley Planning Commission, was the guest speaker at the recent meeting of the Agawam Women's Club. Club officers are **Phyllis Catchepaugh**, treasurer; **Karen Douglas**, president; **Daphne Hall**, co-president of LWV, Springfield area; **Rosemary Roper**, conservation chairwoman, MSFWC; and **Evelyn Mogue**, vice-president.

Special Healing Mass at Mt. Carmel Oct. 18th

A special Mass "For the Healing of the Sick" will be offered Sunday, October 18th, at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church, 123 William Street, Springfield, at 3:00 p.m. The special Mass of Anointing is sponsored by the parish's St. Vincent de Paul Ladies Society.

President and Chairwoman of the event, Sylvia Forastiere, said this Mass is open to all elderly, handicapped, and shut-ins. They will come from nursing homes in Hampden, Agawam, West Springfield, Holyoke, Longmeadow, East Longmeadow, and Westfield. Using walkers, canes, crutches, and wheelchairs, and transported by special vans, many will "come home" to their beloved church, for many it is the only opportunity to attend Mass for many of them.

Sylvia Forastiere estimates from responses already received that well over 100 will be attending. Mass will be celebrated by Reverend Camillo L. Santini, CSS, and Reverend George Linse, CSS, of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church. The special blessing, "Anointing of the Sick," will be given to all attending. This blessing is eagerly received. "Coming home" to the church they were married in, and had their children baptized and

loved ones eulogized in, is, for many, very emotional. The return to Mt. Carmel revives many memories.

Following the Mass, a light box lunch (chestini) will be served with punch and each will receive a token gift. Upon arrival each one will have a corsage or boutonniere pinned on by the St. Vincent de Paul Ladies.

The St. Vincent de Paul women, who number 12 for the 12 apostles, were organized in 1969 by Reverend Paul Zannini, CSS, former pastor of Mt. Carmel. They visit the parish shut-ins on a monthly basis, send cards at holidays and birthdays, and deliver gifts at Christmas and Easter.

For many who have outlived their families, these women are their last links to the old neighborhoods. They become sounding boards for their problems, anxieties, and concerns. Many have developed close ties and consider the women their family.

In addition to Sylvia Forastiere, the membership includes: **Frances Pedulla**, **Laura Guggio**, **Micheline Romano**, **Janet Lazzari**, **Abbie Cignoli**, **Ann Marie Iellamo**, **Lila Forastiere**, **Sylvia Puppulo**, **Madeline Cremonini**, **Julie Tyminski**, and **Marguerite Del Negro**.

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For many of us, this yearly ritual causes aches and pains, especially in the lower back. In some, the pain just won't go away. Leaf raking is a strenuous activity to the muscles and ligaments of the lower back. All that twisting and pulling is especially hard on the spine.

To prevent those undesirable problems, it's important to keep your back in good shape. Warm-up before beginning your work. Slowly stretch and limber up the muscles in your back. Don't forget your leg and arm muscles, too!

Remember to alternate raking from the left and right sides to maintain proper balance of the spinal muscles. When loading leaves into a bag, be sure to bend your legs rather than your back. Keep these bags small when the leaves are damp and heavy.

Have regular check-ups with your chiropractic physician. By maintaining proper alignment of the spine, your chance of more serious spinal problems is less. The doctor of chiropractic may advise against this activity, depending upon the condition of the low back.

Muscular Dystrophy Support Group Holds Meeting Oct. 26

An adult support group for Muscular Dystrophy patients will hold their next meeting, Monday, October 26th, at 7:00 p.m., at the Wesson Memorial Hospital 2nd floor conference room.

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How's The Family????
Your Kids Are More Important Than Material Things

by Dr. Warren F. Schumacher
Associate Professor, University of Mass.

The child who just made that awful mess on the carpet is obviously more important than the rug. The love that motivates you to give that gift is without question more valuable than the present that you ultimately pick-out.

The family that depends on your income is undoubtedly worth more than the job that generates the pay check. Your adolescent son or daughter is worth more consideration than your golf score or current social event. People are more precious than things.

If the carpet gets dirty, it can be cleaned. If the gifts get broken, it can be replaced. As we reflect on that idea in a moment of calm, it's easy to agree. But when the chips are down and the pressure of daily living generates a lot of stress, it's not as easy to keep the priorities where they belong.

When the bills pile up, it's easy to kid ourselves into taking on another part-time job with the idea that we are doing it for the good of the family. When another social event calls upon the time of parents, it's not uncommon for them to respond to that call and leave their adolescent daughter or son home alone for the third time this week.

Almost everyone nurtures an unpleasant memory of sharp and piercing words from a parent cutting like broken glass—the child had just dropped a favorite porcelain figurine or expensive pitcher. Phrases like "don touch" and "hands off" linked with "you sloppy kid" convinced us that these things, these objects, were worth more consideration than we.

Night after night, and weekend after weekend when dad or mom were at work, left us feeling very alone. And even though at the time it sure seemed neat that our parents went away for the whole weekend and left us to take care of ourselves as teenagers, when things got out of hand it sure was scary!

As adults, we have to remember some of those feelings from our childhood and adolescence. There has to be a way to help children and young people become

responsible and appreciate the value of a dollar without making them feel worthless. When money is tight and the bills mount up, check to see whether the children are being made to pay those bills too; if all they hear is: "don't you realize how expensive it is to run this house...stop wasting electricity...get off the phone...get out of the frig," the price is too high.

Pick-up on the questions of your son or daughter—"when will you get home tonight?...are you going to work again this weekend?...can you stay home and just watch television with us?"

Don't be too sure that your teenagers prefer your absence; sometimes they want you around because they know darn well that they can't manage some of the pressures from their peers when you are absent. If your 14 year-old son or daughter is planning a get-together or a party at your home, there just isn't **anything more important** for you to do that night than to be at home, available and willing to have your personal presence felt by the young people present in your home.

If we are going to be successful in acting on the value of people over things, we have to learn to listen. Listen to the memories of your own youth when big people seemed to put greater value on the things in the house and to forget about your feelings. Listen to children when they ask you to stop spending so much time at work or with your hobbies and social life. Listen to teenagers when they cry for help through their acting out behavior; perhaps it is hard to them to appreciate that their well-being is paramount when so much of our time and energy is eaten up by the concerns of daily survival.

Talk is cheap. It's easy for adults to slip into patterns of talking more than listening. Somehow, if we are talking, we think that we are in control. Powerful people, like bosses, teachers, policepeople, presidents, and senators, do lots of talking.

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PATRICK CARLEY of S.T.A.R.T. a registered therapist will hold a program, free of charge, October 21st.

Common Injuries Program Includes Slides-Discussion

Are you plagued by nagging aches and pains in your muscles or joints? Are you unable to enjoy or maximize favorite sport or recreational activity due to common injuries?

Fitness First Health and Racquet Club, Feeding Hills, invites you to a slide show and presentation highlighting common injuries experienced in the recreational and athletic setting. Patrick Carley, a registered physical therapist of S.T.A.R.T., will discuss why these injuries occur and how to avoid them. Learn how to exercise and recreate, pain free!

The talk and slide show will take place Wednesday, October 21st, at 6:30 p.m., at Fitness First and is free of charge. Call 786-1460 for more information.

MANAGING YOUR STRESS

by Dr. Stephen Sobel
M.S., S.M.C.



School Success Important For Child's Self-Image

DEAR DR. SOBEL: We hear so much these days about how important "good schools" are in insuring a positive educational experience for our youngsters. We have children that are three, five, and nine years of age.

My husband heard you talk recently about the concept of "developmental placement" of children and why it is important. He came back from the seminar very enthused and explained it somewhat to me. Can you please elaborate?

Thanks, Interested Mom, Agawam, MA.

ANSWER: I talk to many groups (PTO, teacher

groups, administrators, etc.) on the importance of trying not only to look at how old a child is in years (chronological), but also what "developmental" levels is the child capable of.

What I mean by this is that all children grow and develop at different rates, and a child's developmental level really impacts greatly on his/her program placement and school success.

Many children are placed under enormous stress because they are asked to perform academic tasks that they may not be ready for. Not every child learns to read, write, spell, etc., at the same time, but many times all children are expected to perform these tasks at the same time!

I encourage school districts to involve parents in setting up guidelines for kindergarten entrance age, and "transitional" grade classes, etc., because these type of things are vital if we are to encourage success for every child.

There are many emotional, academic, physical and social signs for an "overplaced" child—(that is, a child who really is not ready to "take on" the academic demands in the early grades due to developing at a different rate).

You can write me (or call 525-6652), and I'll send you the list! Good question and one I feel all parents/educators should discuss together! Many children simply need the gift of time to grow up. Write Dr. Sobel, Suite 48, 132 Shaker Road, East Longmeadow, MA, 01028.

"Freedom From Smoking" At Lung Association

During October, the American Lung Association of Western Massachusetts would like smokers to kick the habit and enjoy the beauty of fall without cigarettes.

"Freedom from Smoking in 20 Days," a self-help program designed to guide smokers through the quitting process, is available for a small donation.

Smokers will receive the two-part booklets full of helpful hints to cut down on smoking. After quitting, tips to stay off cigarettes provide extra support. Most smokers know their habit is unhealthy. They need to learn practical steps to increase their chances of successfully changing their behavior.

To learn more about the "Freedom From Smoking in 20 Days" program, call the American Lung Association of Western Massachusetts, 737-3506. Happy Smoke-Free Halloween!

FAMILY - From Page 24

Weak people, dependent people, like workers, students, and peasants do lots of listening. That whole pattern needs to be questioned, especially in families. Listening, sensitive listening, takes lots of talent. It's real hard to listen well.

Promise yourself that you will listen more. Yes, listen to the ideas and needs of other family members. But don't forget to listen to your own inner voice asking: "So what...Why get so upset over all these things?...What's the big deal; so the dish is broken, the milk spilled. We can get a new dish and buy more milk. We can't get a new child!"

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Agawam Obituaries

Gilman W. Bristol

Gilman W. Bristol, 82, of 15 Sterling Road, Agawam, former 20-year employee of Springfield Audio, died in Baystate Medical Center, Springfield.

He was a sales representative with the Springfield company and was later associated with PAL Associates in Chicopee for four years before his retirement.

Born in Bristol, Vermont, he lived in Springfield most of his life before moving to Agawam 17 years ago.

He graduated from the former Bay Path Business Institute, now Bay Path Junior College. He served with the Springfield Police Reserves during the 1920s.

He was a member of South Congregational Church and its Men's Club and Samuel Osgood Lodge of Masons.

He leaves his wife, the former Mary E. Rich; a son, Charles G. of Springfield; a daughter, Sande Bristol of Charlestown, Rhode Island; two sisters, Marjorie Bearor of Sacramento, California, and Doris Moses of Taunton, and two grandchildren.

A memorial service was in the church with burial at the convenience of the family. Hafey Forest Park Chapels, Springfield, was in charge.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, 57 Suffolk Street, Holyoke, MA, 01040, or to any charity.

John Peterson

John "Pete" Peterson, 83, of 51 Monroe Street, Agawam, a former 22-year sales representative of U.S. Vitamin Pharmaceutical Company, New York, died in a local nursing home. He retired in 1969. He previously worked for the Niagara Hudson Power Company, New York, for 15 years.

Born in Great Barrington, he lived in Agawam 38 years. A member of the Agawam Lions Club for 30 years, he was a recent recipient of the Melvin Fellowship from Lions International for humanitarianism, leadership, and service.

He was also a member of Agawam Congregational Church. He was a graduate of the Washington (D.C.) Electrical School.

He leaves his wife, the former Priscilla Demmon; a son, Richard P. Agawam; a daughter, Patrice E. Peterson of Rockport; two brothers, E. Leonard of Agawam and Robert of Otis, and a sister, Rebecca Peterson of Agawam.

The funeral was at Colonial Funeral Home with burial in Agawam Center Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the Massachusetts Lions Eye Research Fund, in care of Charles T. Cerretani, treasurer, Stoneham, MA, 02180.

James V. Bruno, Sr. Was UNICO's "Man Of Year"

James V. Bruno, Sr., 80, of 105 Kensington Street, Feeding Hills, died Tuesday, October 13th, at Bay State Medical Center, Springfield Hospital Unit. He was the recipient of the Agawam UNICO "Man of the Year" Award and was dedicated and actively involved in church, area organizations, Agawam town activities, and well-known in the area for his charitable endeavors.

Born in Springfield, July 17th, 1907, he lived there until moving to Feeding Hills in 1946. He graduated from the former Technical High School in January 1924. He was employed as an installer for New England Telephone Company for 44 years, retiring May 1st, 1971. A member of Sacred Heart Church, Feeding Hills, he was married to Nancy E. (Grimaldi) Bruno for the past 26 years.

While living in Springfield, he was active in Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish, where was a charter member of the Holy Name Society, serving as the first secretary, then vice-president of then as president for five consecutive years. He was a member of the Catholic Action Club, captain in the building and fund drive, president of the Mt. Carmel Bowling League until 1947.

At Sacred Heart Parish, he helped organize the Holy Name Society and served as president for two years. He was chosen building fund chairman for the church and parish center. A member of the St. Vincent De Paul Society, he served as vice-president, was a charter member of the Parish Council, serving four years, and was a captain in the Annual Bishop Appeal Drive for many years. He worked at the church's restaurant at the Eastern States Exposition for over 20 years and served as a church usher for 35 years.

A member of the International Brotherhood of Telephone Workers Union (IBTW), he held offices of secretary, vice-president, president, and joint board director, and as International vice-president, he served Western and Central Massachusetts and Rhode Island. He held the office for 22 years, was never defeated, and left the post in 1965.

After this, he was elected to serve as director in the Western Mass. Telephone Workers Credit Union for six years, retiring from the New England Telephone Company in 1971.

A Town Meeting member for two years, he was a member of Agawam UNICO for over 20 years, serving as secretary for eight years, and vice-president for 2½ years. Also, he served as a member of the Board of Directors and as district secretary for six years.

On November 13th, 1983, he was honored by Agawam UNICO as its "Man of the Year" at a dinner-dance in his honor, where he received the prestigious award. This award is presented for loyal and dedicated service. As a Unican, he chaired every major fundrais-

ing activity and received several citations from the district and national levels. He was permanent chairman for the children's Annual Halloween Party in Agawam.

Besides his wife of 56 years, he leaves two sons, Robert J. Bruno of West Springfield, manager of A.T.&T., and James V. Bruno, Jr., of Southwick, superintendent of schools, Town of Agawam; two daughters, Rosalie Talbot of Agawam, executive secretary at Kidder-Stacy Company, and Mary E. O'Keefe of Feeding Hills, a teacher formerly at Faolin Peirce School and now at Granger Elementary School; a sister, Carmella Bruno of Springfield; 14 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

The funeral will be held Friday morning from Colonial Funeral Home, 985 Main Street, Agawam, with a liturgy of Christian Burial in Sacred Heart Church, Feeding Hills, and burial in Springfield Street Cemetery, Feeding Hills. Visiting hours, at presstime are Thursday, October 15th, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m., and 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Vincent DePaul Society or Building Fund of Sacred Heart Church, 1103 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills, 01030.

John A. Greco

John A. Greco, 37, of 9 Hollywood Street, Springfield, owner and manager of the Dairy Store in Agawam, died in Truro. He had owned the Suffield Street convenience store for 14 years.

A lifelong Springfield resident, he graduated from Classical High School in 1969 and attended Springfield Technical Community College. He was a member of the Springfield Chess Club.

He leaves his former wife, Mary Ann Davin; his father, Fred Greco of Springfield, and a brother, James, of Hampden.

A memorial service was at Colonial Funeral Home, Agawam. Memorial contributions may be made to the Holyoke Soldiers' Home, Cherry Street, Holyoke, MA, 01040.

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News, Events, Activities At Heritage Hall Nursing Home

RESIDENT OF THE WEEK!

Gladys Day

Gladys Day was born June 27th, 1897, and was raised in Springfield. Gladys married Albert Day and they had one son, Robert. Albert was employed as a printer and Gladys, as well as being a mother and homemaker, sold Heather Greeting Cards. The family resided in Springfield for 55 years.

In later years, Gladys relocated to Holland, Massachusetts, where she obtained employment at the Lakeside Lodge for 18 years. She also resided in Monson. Gladys retired in 1970 at age 73. She is a lifetime member of the Eastern Star Organization. Gladys has two grandchildren—Bruce Lambert of Southwick, and Debora Neal of Barnsville, Maryland. She has five great-grandchildren and a grand-niece and nephew, Mr. & Mrs. Hans Baschwitz of Longmeadow.

Gladys recently celebrated her 90th birthday at the home of her grandson in Southwick, with additional family members from Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, Maryland, and Indiana. She fills her leisure time growing African violets, playing cards and yatzee, but her favorite is teaching her bird "Petey" to talk.

Heritage Hall is glad to have Gladys as a member of their family.

Year of Devotions!

On Thursday morning, October 8th, residents of Heritage Hall had the opportunity to recite the rosary with Pope John Paul II. Everyone gathered in the chapel to watch a video tape of Pope John Paul II leading a worldwide rosary on the "Special Year of Devotions to Mary." The event took place on June 6th of this year. Residents of all nationalities were able to recite the rosary in their native language as a Landon transmission center linked the Pope's recital with responses from 17 Marian Sanctuaries throughout the world.

Some of the shrines visited were in Italy, Germany, Poland, United States (Washington, D.C.), Spain, Portugal, Brazil, and Russia. The residents thoroughly enjoyed the program and for many it was a very special and meaningful experience.

The program was made possible by St. John's Evangelist Church. Heritage Hall would like to extend a thank-you to Father Huller, Father McGrath, Sister Frances White, and all the Eucharistic ministers for their part in fulfilling the religious needs of our residents and always being supportive of them.

EDUCATION

Mini Learning

Keeping minds alert and stimulating are the goals of educational programs at Heritage Hall. *Modern Maturity Magazine* has a mini-course series that is provided for interested persons. It covers a variety of subjects. Educational and informative subjects are discussed in a relaxing atmosphere as everyone enjoys coffee and tea. This week residents discussed psychology—**what makes us tick?**

The human being is a very complex subject. This program is held on a weekly basis and residents are looking forward to their next discussion.

Holiday Bazaar!

Residents of Heritage Hall are diligently finishing the projects they have been making in preparation for their Annual Holiday Bazaar. The bazaar is held yearly and all proceeds benefit the Resident Council Fund. The fund is used to pay for residents' entertainment, outings, and other enjoyment.

A variety of handmade crafts and articles will be for sale. All items are made by the residents and volunteers. The bazaar this year will be held November 21st, and the hours will be between 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. The public is invited to attend.

SOCIAL

Italian Night!

Columbus Day was celebrated by residents of Heritage Hall as Activity Directors Fran O'Connell and Kay Babcock hosted an Italian Night.

Red and white checked table cloths, and posters of Italian cities and Italian flags added to the spirit of the holiday as everyone gathered to enjoy a meal of manicotti, sauteed Italian vegetables, crisp salad, and scrumptious cannoli cake for dessert.

Vera Conway entertained residents with her talents on the piano, playing a concert of Italian music. Smiling faces and clapping hands pronounced the evening a great success!



EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS from St. John's The Evangelist Church, Agawam, visited Heritage Hall October 8th to recite the rosary with the nursing home residents. Ministers are Bill Koob and Kay Monahan (standing) who are pictured with residents Gladys Latourneau and Evelyn Setterstrom.

Annual Antiques/Collectibles Show Coming

The Maven Company will present the 11th Semi-Annual edition of The Eastern States Antiques & Collectibles Show in the massive Better Living Center, Memorial Avenue, West Springfield, Saturday, October 31st and Sunday, November 1st. Show hours are from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. each day.

Described as New England's largest and most diversified indoor antiques and collectibles show, it has become one of the more important indoor buying opportunities for collectors during the fall season. Exhibitors will be coming from all over the Continental United States to display their fine antiques and collec-

tibles.

The show has drawn crowds in excess of 22,000 buyers over the course of this two-day event. Special features are a glass repair booth manned by Sylvio, who will repair nicked and chipped fine glassware. Dudley, an expert in the restoration of fine china, will also be featured at the show. Each hour during the show, a drawing will be held and a gift certificate redeemable at any booth in the show will be awarded.

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FLORA COOMBS was the "Resident of the Week" in our edition of October 8th. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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ALVERA & ANTONIO MERCADANTE celebrated their 50th anniversary at a surprise party October 10th.

Mercadantes Celebrate 50th Wedding Anniversary

Mr. & Mrs. Antonio Mercadante of Agnoli Place, Feeding Hills, were greeted at a surprise 50th wedding anniversary party held in their honor, Saturday, October 10th, at DaVinci's Restaurant. Many friends and family members were on hand to wish them well.

The Mercadantes have resided in Feeding Hills all that time. Mrs. Mercadante is the former Alvera Christopher.

The couple have five children, Louise Moran of Westfield, Marie Jordan and Annette Minnette, both of

West Springfield, Sylvia Deroy of Chicopee, and their son, Alphonse of Feeding Hills, eight grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

Much health and continued happiness goes to them from all.

News, Activities At Agawam Senior Center

October 20th, Tuesday: Fall River shopping spree.

October 20th, Tuesday, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.: By appointment, Mercy Hospital hearing screening.

October 21st, Wednesday, 12:30 p.m.: A special performance by the East Longmeadow choral group.

November 3rd, Tuesday: Birthday Recognition Day. It's not too early to make your lunch reservation. Please let the front desk know, it's your birth month.

November 19th, Thursday, 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.: Food Distribution.

TRIPS:

November 12th: Thursday evening, Bay Path Junior College. "Carnival." \$1 donation. Reservations will open soon.

December 7th: Monday, Mystery Trip. Reservations are now open. \$31.50 per person.

January 14th: Thursday, Coachlight Dinner Theatre. "Guys And Dolls." Reservations are not open as yet.

February 20th: Eight days, "Arizona/California Sun Tour," from Scottsdale, Arizona, to San Diego, California, and much more. Itinerary available at the Ticket Booth. \$1,016 double occupancy, inclusive. \$100 deposit required, balance due by December 22nd.

Up-date: Project, Knitted Bed Slippers—A big thank-you goes out to the volunteers who gave their time to knit the bed slippers that will be going out to our many homebound seniors this winter. However, it's not over yet since we are short of about 35 pairs, so please don't quit yet. We have the yarn and pattern and still need you. Call the Activities Director, or call 786-0400, extension 242. Thank-you in advance.

Thank-you to Century 21/Heritage Realtors, and George & Green Real Estate Company, Inc., for their generous donation to "Friends of the Agawam Senior Center" for the "dish fund drive" (foodless bake sale).

Up-date on the Foodless Bake Sale for purchasing new dishes at the Senior Center to replace the tired ones now in use. The Thermometer has reached the \$1,200 mark with \$800 to go. All donations are welcome and

appreciated, big or small. Please send your donation to: Friends of the Agawam Senior Center, P.O. Box 238, Agawam, MA, 01001. Thank-you for your support.

Meals On Wheels Driver Needed:

The Agawam Senior Center has an opening

for a Meals on Wheels driver. The salary is \$4.20 per hour; the hours are Monday to Friday, two hours a day. Meals on Wheels drivers deliver meals to homebound seniors. If you have two hours a day to spare, your help is needed. Contact Richard Mundo, 786-0400, extension 242.



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Local Graveyards Hold Treasures Ag. Center Cemetery

Although this burial ground dates back in time to 1774, it is a relative newcomer in terms of ancient New England burial grounds. Yet, there is much to learn of our town-proper from the early interments located within the confines of this historic and picturesque site.

To outsiders, this cemetery is located on South Main Street, bordered by a white picket fence, with the earliest burials located within the immediate vicinity of the Main Street entrance.

The Agawam Town History clearly establishes the earliest date of purchase in April, 1795, at which time the "inhabitants of the District of Agawam" bought approximately three quarters of an acre of land from Jediah & Roxanna Bliss. The price of this original tract of land was "four pounds lawful money."

According to town historian Edith LaFrancis, "A perpetual care fund was started in 1882 with pledges amounting to \$600."

At least one stone marker makes note of this fact with the words "Perpetual Care" carved on the stone! By the year 1895, the Agawam Cemetery Association was organized. Today, the citizens of our town may be justly proud of the continued care and maintenance of the grounds, thanks in large part to the careful scrutiny of Agawam's George Reynolds and his staff!

A Word Of Caution!

A word of caution should be given those casual observers or stone rubbers who might frequent this ancient burial ground! Apart from the gray squirrels who may be seen scurrying about the site (apparently heading for home in one of the many towering and archaic evergreen trees in the front (earliest) portion of the cemetery), we do want to forewarn the visitor that there is a bee tree located in the vicinity of the Ball Monument. Be careful!

These little critters are most active during the morning hours. Since these fellow creatures of God intend no harm to outsiders, it must be stated that they deserve the right of way ("bee-line") to the giant cedar tree in which they live. After all, they deserve as much respect from humans in their daily and busy pursuit of life.

During our recent sojourn of the grounds, totally unaware of the bee tree, we found ourselves standing directly in front of the "bee-line." However, these little winged fellows must have realized our ignorance since they circumvented us without doing any harm.

Site Abounds With Wide Variety Of Markers

Upon entering the front portion of the burial grounds, being the earliest of sites, the visitor is quick to appreciate the vast number of towering obelisk monuments within the area. Perhaps the most noteworthy of these markers, both red sandstone and white limestone, is the **Hubbard Monument**, which stands at least 20 feet in height.

Unfortunately the top-piece seems to be missing. This marker is located just to the left and front of the north entranceway from Main Street, as one is entering adjacent to George Webster's garage.

Of particular note is the fact that almost all of these needle-like monuments seem to be showing the worst for age and the elements, as they are gradually cracking along the seams. At first we thought the damage might be attributed to lightning strikes, but possibly the cracks are due to a fault in the stone, or simply the signs of wear and time.

In any respect, there remains little doubt that these 18th/early 19th century works of art are worthy of note. Indeed, this burial ground abounds with such towering edifices.

It is our hope that one day these markers might be protected from further deterioration by placing appropriate metal bands (or the like) around the needles, thereby preventing further damage. Certainly, care must be given these ancient tablets (unless we allow them to eventually disappear from sight)!

Apart from the obelisks, the site has several variations that must be credited to the stone carvers of our local region. Unfortunately, we could find only one marker adorned with the carver's name inscribed at the base. This marker was of red sandstone and denotes the final resting place of Miss Esther Leonard, who died in 1809. The sculptor's name is clearly visible at the base: H. Cooley. We did search for further evidence of signed-stones, but were unable to locate any other such markers.

Yet we did recall that some years ago, we located the name of a certain "Norton." Unfortunately, we are unable to recall whether this marker was in the Central Cemetery or elsewhere in our town/village.

What remains of particular note is the fact that both names of Cooley and Norton are frequent to the local cemetery (in that a number of markers so-named are located within the front part of the grounds). It is just possible that both were local carvers.

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The reference staff is also happy to answer questions about a particular book. If you are looking for a book, give the reference desk a call and they will check to see if the library owns the book and, if so, if it is in the library. Furthermore, the staff will put the book aside for you or try to obtain a copy for you if the title is not in the collection.

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PHILM REVIEW

by Phil Benoit
Entertainment Editor

Three Average Flicks

—Best Seller: 2½ STARS

A flawed but superbly acted drama about the working relationship between two men with widely diverse backgrounds. The first man is Dennis Meechum (Brion Dennehy), a widowed police detective who supplements his income by penning cops-and-robbers novels. However, he has not done any serious writing since the death of his wife four years earlier, and yet he longs to come up with a book that could possibly earn him much fame and fortune.

The second man in this partnership is Cleve (James Woods), a cold-blooded hit man who is anxious to put Meechum's writing talents to use. For years, this professional killer has been in the employ of a wealthy and seemingly benevolent businessman (Paul Shenor). But now, after having been fired, Cleve wants to get even with his ex-boss by supplying Meechum with details of his criminal dealings, and having the policeman-cum-author write a novel that will expose his former employer's entire operation.

Best Seller suffers from a few problems which prevent it from being a first-rate film. In addition to moving at a pace that is a bit too slow for its own good, this picture is hampered by a number of discrepancies in its storyline, as well as a couple of preposterous plot developments that damage the movie's overall believability.

In spite of these prominent shortcomings, however, *Best Seller* is still worth seeing. At the heart of this film is an intriguing character study of two individuals who manage to use each other in their attempt to accomplish their particular goals, and these roles are skillfully brought to life by a pair of actors who are not box-office superstars but are, nonetheless, among Hollywood's most talented performers.

Dennehy (*F/X*), who's probably best known as the

leader of the kindly aliens in the science-fiction drama *Cocoon*, portrays the part of Dennis Meechum as a man who is beset by conflicting emotions. His character's instincts as a veteran policeman tell him that he should promptly arrest the hit man named Cleve, but the money-seeking side of his nature convinces him to go along with this killer's mutually-beneficial scheme.

As Cleve, Woods (*Salvador*) is perfect. Like he did in his acclaimed role as the bloodthirsty murderer in the real-life crime drama *The Onion Field*, he depicts his latest character as a brutally ruthless and immoral man who kills people without hesitation, and the dangerously psychotic persona with which Woods provides Cleve makes for a most frightening and captivating performance.

—Like Father Like Son: 0 STARS

An appallingly unfunny comedy that deals with a middle-aged surgeon (Dudley Moore) and his teenage son (Kirk Cameron), and the mayhem which ensues when a brain-transference serum places their minds into each other's body.

The number of times that I laughed during *Like Father Like Son* is reflected in the number of stars that I have given it. Reminiscent of the infinitely superior 1984 comedy *All of Me* (in which Lily Tomlin occupied half of Steve Martin's body), this picture blows every opportunity to provide us with amusing situations.

A story whereby an adult behaves as a teenager, and vice versa, has the potential to be extremely humorous, but the plot of this sad excuse for a movie grows so outlandish and illogical that it becomes too ridiculous to be in the least bit funny.

In regard to the film's acting, Cameron (TV's *Growing Pains*) not only conveys a bland screen presence, but he comes across as an obnoxious twerp throughout the entire course of the story. Moore (*Santa Claus: The Movie*), on the other hand, does the best that he can with his thankless role; however, his juvenile antics in *Like Father Like Son* are thoroughly embarrassing to watch and are nothing but pale imitations of the kind of slapstick humor that he put to effective use in such earlier and far better comedies as *10* and *Arthur*.

Therefore, it is my presumption that Cameron's teenybopper admirers will probably wish that their favorite heartthrob had not ventured beyond the medium of television, and that Moore's fans will hope that his next endeavor will do better justice to his comedic talents.

—The Principal: 2 STARS

James Belushi stars in this uneven comedy-drama as a hot-tempered teacher who is forced to become the principal of a rough-and-tumble high school where the students spend more time concentrating on daily survival rather than on the courses that they're taking.

The first half of *The Principal* takes a seriocomic look at the strife which takes place in a typical inner-city and interracial American high school, and uses wry humor to depict the maverick efforts of Belushi's (*About Last Night...*) character to try and bring some discipline and order to his new place of employment.

Unfortunately, the second half of the picture is downright unpleasant to watch as it becomes dead serious and focuses on the rivalry between Belushi and a sadistic student gangleader (Michael Wright). What's more, the movie's climax is a grim showdown between these two characters and wallows in what it believes to be audience-pleasing violence.

Despite this unexpected shift in tone and the discordant mood which results, *The Principal* does manage to earn a mild recommendation for its solid acting. Supporting performers such as Louis Gossett, Jr. (*Firewalker*) and Rae Dawn Chong (*The Squeeze*) do a fine job as a security guard and a history teacher, respectively, and Belushi's leading role in this film demonstrates that his skills as a dramatic actor are equal to his impressive abilities as a comic performer.

THE PHILM GUIDE FOR PARENTS:

—Best Seller: Rated R for some strong violence, brief nudity, and profanity.

—Like Father Like Son: Rated PG-13 for mature language and situations.

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The Murder Room Fast Paced; Has First-Rate Acting

by Phil Benoit
Advertiser News Entertainment Editor

The Murder Room, the first production of the Encore Players' 1987-88 season, represents the kind of entertaining comedy that this community theatre group usually stages: a fast-paced and delightful show which boasts many laughs and a cast of first-rate performances.

The three-act, Jack Sharkey mystery farce, which ran last Thursday through Saturday, has four more performances scheduled for this Thursday through Sunday (October 15th-18th). The Thursday through Saturday performances are evening shows which begin at 8:00 p.m., and the Sunday performance is a matinee that begins at 2:00 p.m.

All shows are at the downstairs theater of Emmanuel Church, 761 Sumner Avenue (at the corner of Sumner Avenue and White Street), Springfield.

Set in the present in the northern part of England, *The Murder Room* begins with the first day in the marriage of an elderly gent named Edgar Hollister (Bruce Harvey) and his blonde bombshell of a young wife, Mavis Templeton Hollister (Evelyn Holland). However, it turns out that their first day of married life together will also be their last, since Mavis proceeds to do in Edgar and, thus, plans to inherit her dearly departed husband's wealth and spend the rest of her life with her secret lover.

But, before Mavis can lead her post-Edgar life, she has to endure an investigation by Police Inspector James Crandall (James Morrill), who is only aware of the fact that Edgar Hollister is currently missing from his residence and hasn't a clue as to how and why he has disappeared.

What's more, Mavis has to put up with the return of Edgar's daughter, Susan (Lynn Boucher), who's just graduated from college in the United States, and her rich American fiancé, Barry Draper (Roger Gove).

Yet, little does Mavis realize—or anyone else, for that matter—that there are developments along the horizon which will prove that not everything is as it seems, and that appearances can be most deceiving.



EVELYN HOLLAND (far left), Lynn Boucher, James Morrill, and Bruce Harvey in a scene from the Encore Players' production of the mystery farce, "The Murder Room." The remaining performances are scheduled for Thursday through Sunday, October 15th to 18th.

In and of itself, *The Murder Room* is not a perfect play. Its three-act structure is a bit dragged-out for a lighthearted and lightweight story such as this. Additionally, some of the play's plot developments are excessively farfetched and are difficult to swallow, thereby doing some damage to the comedy's overall credibility.

On the positive side, *The Murder Room* is loaded with many laughs and surprises, and good production values by the Encore Players are able to offset the script's shortcomings.

Well-directed by Jean Burns and assisted by Agawam's Sal Marzano, this show moves at a brisk and snappy pace which enables the play's three acts to move along with much energy. Meanwhile, Charles Treiber's set design incorporates moveable furnishings

and other props that play an important function throughout the course of the story, and the movements of these set pieces were well-timed and effectively carried out during the opening night performance.

Another technical aspect of this production that deserves mention is the blocking (the movement of the actors themselves). In the last act of *The Murder Room*, there are several moments when the lights go out and the entire cast has to move around in the dark.

Thanks to both Miss Burns and all of the cast members, the onstage hustling and bustling was performed with a great deal of precision and quickness that obviously reflects the large amount of practice which must have taken place during the rehearsals.

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Six performers comprise the cast of the Encore Players' production of *The Murder Room*, and each one of them successfully contributes to the show's uproarious story.

In the role of a housekeeper named Mrs. Lottie Molloy, Ann Kertanis conveys both humorous charm and a slightly dimwitted persona that is very funny to watch. Her uneasy relationship with the character of Mavis Templeton Hallister is also quite amusing, and Miss Kertanis' character manages to play a role in uncovering the mystery (or mysteries) which exist at the core of this plot.

Miss Boucher, as Susan Hollister, does a fine job with a character who is rather difficult to portray. Susan is an extremely daffy and naive young woman who borders on being too foolheaded to be believable, but Miss Boucher is able to maintain her character's credibility in spite of what the script has her do and say.

As Susan's fiance, Barry Droper, Gove makes us laugh with a drall sense of Southern chivalry, and a demeanor that is both good-natured and slow-witted. And, an equally funny and slow-witted personality is delivered by Morrill as the character of Police Inspector James Crandall, a man who is not as smart as he likes to think he is.

In the role of Movis, Miss Holland exudes a persona that blends sultriness with deviousness, and pampered, childlike vulnerability with a knack for taking command of any given situation. This actress' witty performance suggests the kind of vixen whom you can find on any given soap opera.

Besides playing the part of Edgar Hollister, Harvey portrays Police Constable Abel Howard, and he carries out both roles with equal zest. As Edgar, he wears a shaggy grey wig and moustache, false buck teeth, and projects a doting personality that is downright hilarious.

And, when he's onstage as the police constable, Harvey steals the show with the way he strides across the set and stamps his feet whenever he comes to a complete stop, and these laughable physical movements bring to mind the antics of such British comedians as the incomparable Benny Hill and Monty Python alumnus John Cleese.

***PUBLISHER'S NOTE:** Tickets for the Encore Players' production of *The Murder Room* can be bought at the door or reserved by calling 783-1616 or 737-0918. General admission on Fridays and Saturdays is \$6, and senior citizens and students are \$5; on Thursdays and Sundays, all seats are \$4.

Year Of The Piano At Tuesday Music Club

Lydia Artymiw, well-known pianist, will perform at the Tuesday Morning Music Club Artist Day concert, Tuesday, October 20th, at 10:30 a.m., at the Esther B. Griswold Theatre for the Performing Arts on the AIC Campus.

Quickly becoming a world-renowned pianist, Miss Artymiw was awarded one of the Avery Fisher Prize Career Grants in New York in 1987. Her recital will include works by Mozart, Schumann, Debussy, and Tchaikovsky.

Coffee hour and reception will follow the program. Public is invited. Admission for adults is \$5, and students and senior citizens, \$2.50.

Country Folk Art Sale Set For Big E Grounds

The Country Folk Art Show & Sale will be held at the Eastern States Exposition Fairgrounds, New England Building, West Springfield, October 16th, 17th, and 18th, Friday evening from 5:00 to 9:00 p.m., Saturday and Sunday from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Admission is \$5 for Friday with early buying privileges. Admission for Saturday and Sunday is \$3.

This Country Folk Art Show has been nationally recognized as the leading Folk Art Show in the country. This high calibre show will be coming with folk artisans from all across the country bringing their outstanding quality handcrafted reproductions and country heirlooms of the future. This show will have a great variety of handmade country accessories and collectibles to decorate the country home.

The Folk Art Show brings together an endless array of treasures to delight anyone's taste. The country theme is a look that represents a homespun, warm, handmade and comfortable ambiance. Some of the wonderful folk art items for sale will include quilts and wall hangings, Appalachian style baskets, splint and willow baskets, Shaker furniture and Shaker boxes, grape-vine wreaths and herbal arrangements, whirligigs, weathervanes, theorems, frakturs, rag rugs, teddy bears, scherenschnitte, country signs, decays, dummy boards, wood carvings, spongeware, redware, calligraphy, cut and pierced lamp shades, stenciled lampshades, cabinets, dry sinks, settles, water benches, chimney cupboards, children furniture, country clocks, fireboards, salt-glazed stoneware, and countless other great folk art forms.

Folk Art is forever gaining in popularity and to meet the demand, there will be over 100 folk artisans from across the country bringing literally thousands of handmade folk art treasures for sale. Each and everyone of the artisans have been juried and hand-selected for their outstanding workmanship and integrity of creative design.

When our Colonies were being settled, most everything was handmade and so history seems to be repeating itself and once again, there is a surge of interest in handmade items and historical reproductions.

To name just a few of the outstanding artisans appearing at the show with their fantastic handmade creations, there will be from the state of **Colorado**—Ronald Voltree Woodworks with replica oak furniture in children sizes such as round oak tables and matching chairs, hutches and dressers. From the state of **Iowa** will be Jan Shirley with country clocks.

From **Illinois**, the Ramseys will be bringing Shaker furniture, in authentic Early American and Colonial styles, many painted in blue or red buttermilk paint; also Carolyn Miller will be bringing colonial dried herbal arrangements. From the state of **Connecticut** will come Betty Elias with a great selection of Amish quilts.

Beaumont Pottery of **Maine** will bring an entire booth of salt-glazed stoneware decorated in cobalt blue graphics. From **Texas** will come Clarence & Kay Payne with red, white and blue folk art creations such as carved Uncle Sams, also Kay Ware dummy boards. From **Maryland** will come Lourie McCain with hand-painted apple baskets and "Father Christmas" figures.

California will have present Marie Mattson with Amish collectibles and quilts and animal pillows made from old quilts. Janet Robinson will be coming from **North Carolina** with hand hooked rugs of her own design. From **Tennessee** will come Craig Knowles with child size wing chairs; Della Wellman with country calendars; George McGaw with firescreens and hand-painted lamps; Karen Swint with Santa Claus'; Buddy Vaughn with Shaker furniture.

Many artisans will be present from **New York**. Allen Foster with original design country wood carvings, including Indians; Ken Ferris with outstanding hand carved country signs; Wendy Pressienon with replica primitive old toys and signs; Mary Jane Pelzer with hand made soaps in all country shapes; Teri Pritchard with original country oil paintings; Cathy Walker with bauermaier paintings; Mary Raff with theorems.

From **South Carolina** will be coming to the show Kelly Brown with hand braided rugs. From **Indiana** many artisans will be present with Marilyn Brawer with cow quilt stands; Ned Sullins with hickory rockers; Ron Stout with Amish folk art collections; Dave Highley with wire rug beaters. From **Mississippi** will come Coco Regan with a variety of stenciled lampshades; Jan Bishop with stenciled flour sacks and pillows, and Judy Arnold with scherenschnitte. **Virginia** will have present Lorraine Bittner with beautiful handmade quilts in Appalachian style; also Cory Langley with colonial wood lanterns.

Lang's Folk Art Collection of **Wisconsin** will be bringing their famous country calendars; Mordi Westenberber will bring her hand painted trompe l'oeil furniture and fur coat teddy bears; Sandy Russell will bring wood villages; Bruce Goberville is bringing country signs. **Michigan** will have present Diana Van Kolken with all hand made Shaker items; Ann Rothwell with carvings and whirligigs; Barbara Richards with original Amish water colors; Dave Stevens with hand-carved kinetic wood folk art figures; Bonnie Murin with Shaker boxes.

Coming from the **Cape** will be one of the finest artisans in Massachusetts as well as the entire country. Painting mostly nautical scenes of ships, whales, whaling town, sea-captains, children at play, her paintings will rival those of Grandma Moses. Many of her paintings are already in the most prestigious collections - Rosebee the Folk Painter.

Ag. Arts Council Plans Preview of "Superstar"

The Agawam Arts and Humanities Council proudly presents, as part of its Friday Series, members of the Suffield Players from Massachusetts and Connecticut, performing selections from their upcoming November production of *"Jesus Christ Superstar."*

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The artistic, musical, and cultural rhythms of Japan will be the focus of the opening three programs of the series, **"Discover Japan,"** November 1st, 8th, and 15th.

From 2:00 to 3:00 p.m., November 1st, the Jo Ha Kyu dance troupe from Boston will captivate the audience with a performance of traditional court dancing. Known as Bugaku dancing, this ancient choreography combines masked dancers, ancient music and slow, three-dimensional movements into a dance style that is both startling and intriguing to Western viewers.

Other activities slated for the November 1st opening program include: a Japanese tea ceremony with South Hadley resident Nobue Yamashita from 3:15 to 4:15 p.m.; a guided gallery walk featuring Japanese pottery with Ludlow resident Thresa Boldys from 1:15 to 1:45 p.m.; a traditional wheel-thrown pottery demonstration by Makoto Yabe of Cambridge from 1:00 to 4:30 p.m.;

St. Martha's Players To Stage "The Boyfriend" In Enfield

St. Martha's Players' fall production of *The Boyfriend* will be held at St. Martha's, Brainard Road, Enfield, October 30th, 31st, November 6th, 7th, 13th, 14th, and 20th, 21st.

The Boyfriend is a 1920's style musical which features some lively dance numbers.

Anna Giza of Somers will play the lead role of Polly, and Matthew Surapine of Enfield will play Tony. Other principal roles will be played by Mari O'Brien, Chuck Maggio, Ginny Zdebski, and Herb Teden.

Supporting members of the cast are Mary Lombardo, Carol Thompson, Claire Neild, Laurie Dursza, Judith Syran, Kristen Patefield, Christine St. Amant, Wayne Robertson, David Labigolini, Charles Theofiles, John Quenneville, Alex Vargas, and John Pierce.

Director Mooneyan Field also announced her staff. Steven D. Cirillo is musical director and Colleen Bartlett is choreographer.

Seating is cabaret style and reservations may be made by calling Anchor Man Systems, (203) 745-6211. Tickets are \$6.50, and \$5.50 for students and seniors. Special group rates are available for groups of 20 or more for opening weekend only, October 30th-31st.

and a hands-on pottery workshop with Meridan, Connecticut, resident Gory O'Neil. The film, "Japanese Pottery," will be shown from 3:30 to 4:00 p.m.

"Discover Japan: The Age of the Samurai" will be held on November 8th and will include a demonstration of traditional Japanese woodblock printmaking, a sword handle and scabbard engraving demonstration, a performance of aikido and a hands-on studio workshop on designing your own Tsuba (sword guard).

A walk through the Arms and Armor Gallery at the George Walter Vincent Smith Museum will be held from 1:30 to 2:00 p.m., and from 3:30 to 4:00 p.m.

"Discover Japan: Culture, Costume, Fabric and Fashion" will be held November 15th, and will include a demonstration of Roketsu-zome, a wax-resist fabric dyeing technique; a talk on Japanese theatre costumes and masks; a demonstration on the art of kimono-wearing, and a hands-on studio workshop on designing kimonos.

The three weeks of programming on Japan is being co-sponsored by the Japan Society of Boston.

According to Maren Brown, coordinator of the **"Something Every Sunday"** program, the 1987-88 season promises to be a cultural, educational, and artistic extravaganza. "We are especially excited about working with the Japan Society in bringing aspects of Japanese culture to this part of the state. We are looking forward to connecting themes of Japanese art and culture with the extensive collection of Japanese art in our own museums."

Best Hometown News

10-Week Art Classes At Springfield Art Museums

The Art Museums in Springfield have devised the perfect solution for people who want to take a class in a new art form but are hesitant about making a nine- or 10-week commitment.

"Art Samplers," a series of Saturday workshops, will be offered this fall at the School of the George Walter Vincent Smith Art Museum. Samplers will be offered in sculpture, printmaking, drawing, calligraphy, and watercolor.

"Art Samplers" offer you the opportunity to take a three-hour introductory course in the art form of your choice," explains Maren Brown, education assistant at the museum. "You can choose to take all five

Laughing Brook Offers Programs For Kids

Massachusetts Audubon Society's Laughing Brook Education Center, Hampden, offers programs for children of all ages in October. Explore the changing seasons, bird migration, and underground inhabitants. Pre-registration is required three days in advance of each program.

"Nature In Miniature" meets Saturday, October 17th, from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. First through third graders will explore miniature worlds found in nature. This mini-expedition will use a bioscope, microscope, and hand-lens to examine the worlds found within a drop of water, under logs, and right below your feet. The fees for the program are \$3.50 for Massachusetts Audubon members and \$4.50 for non-members.

On Saturday, October 17th, from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m., pre-schoolers will find out what happens to the trees that fall to the forest floor in **"Soil Soup."** Join in an attempt to make soil from scratch and discover the wildlife that lives below your feet. Be sure to wear clothes that can get dirty! The fees for the program are \$4 for Massachusetts Audubon members and \$5 for non-members.

"The Survival Shuffle," for third through fifth graders, meets October 24th, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. The mysteries of migration will be the focus of this program as participants join in such activities as "migration obstacles" and "night flights."

The program will conclude with tips on how to make New England winters easier for those birds who stick around. The fees for the program are \$3.50 for Massachusetts Audubon members and \$4.50 for non-members.

'Samplers' or you can decide to just take one or two, depending on your interests."

Each "Sampler" runs from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m., on designated Saturdays. The schedule is as follows:

Sculpture: Saturday, October 10th; Ann Jon, instructor;

Printmaking: Saturday, October 17th; Barbara Milot;

Drawing: Saturday, October 24th; Marjory Lehan;

Calligraphy: Saturday, November 14th, Mari Funai;

Watercolor: Saturday, November 21st, Priscilla Souder.

For information about prices and registration, call the George Walter Vincent Smith Museum, education department, 733-4214.

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Choreography Course Brings AHS Stage Alive With Dance

by Iris Copson
School Dept. Editor

The stage at Agawam High School came alive with music, singing, and dancing, Wednesday, October 7th, as Ms. Jeanne Jones held a clinic of choreography with the high school Show Choir and Chorus.

Vocal Music Instructor Stephen Files, explained, "The Show Choir is made up of 12 guys and 24 girls. The Chorus, consisting of 30 girls, is newly-formed this year from an overflow of the Show Choir. We will spend the same kind of funding and training on the Chorus as the Show Choir itself.

"The Show Choir and Chorus are singing groups first, but their style originated from musical comedies; that is how they came to be," he added.

The Show Choir will be hosting the Annual Top 40 Show, Thursday, October 29th, at 7:00 p.m., in the Agawam High School auditorium. Proceeds from this event are used for Show Choir travel expenses, trips, and fees to professional choreographers.

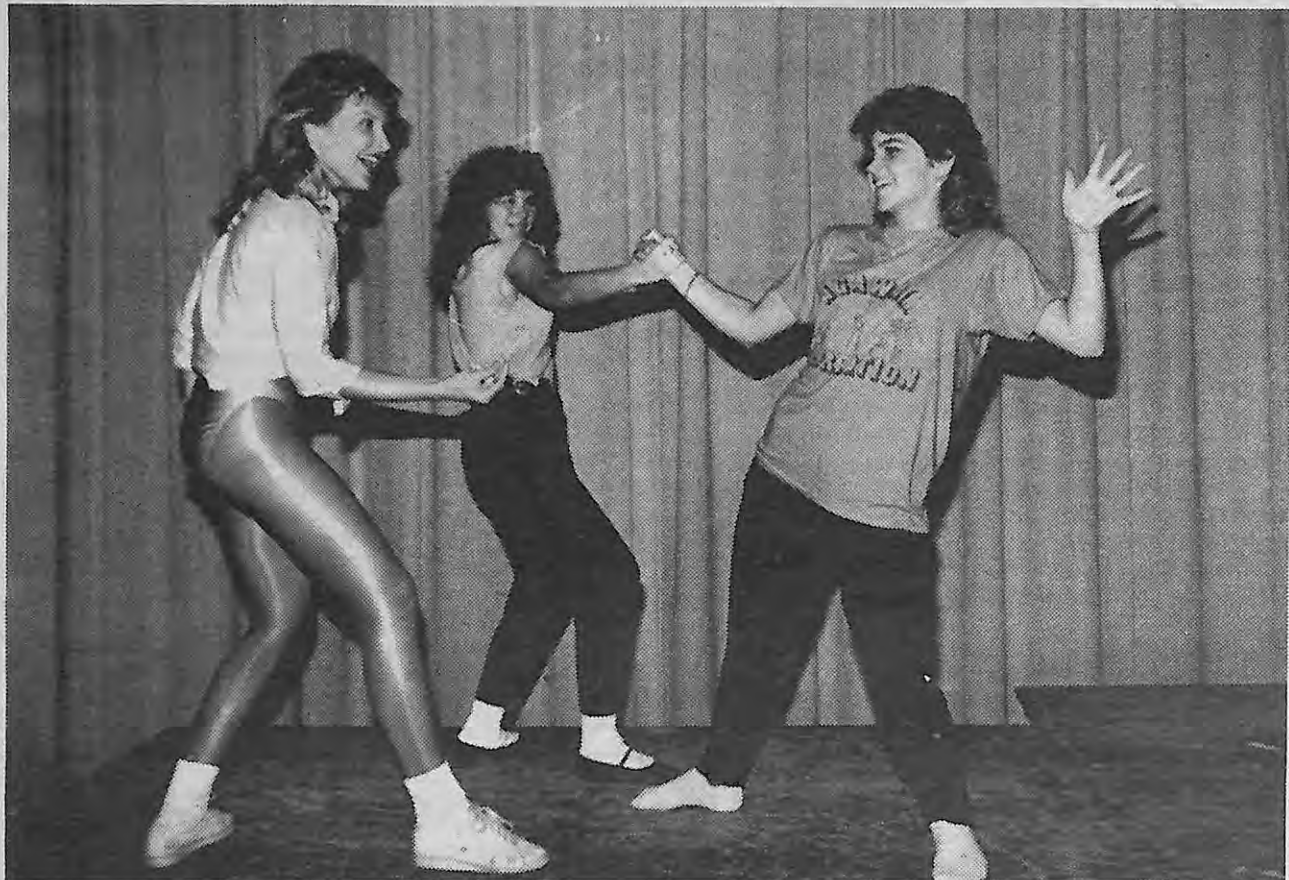
Auditions for this show covered a wide variety of talent in the fine arts and were open to all high school students. The show promises to be an evening of enjoyable family entertainment, Files said.

Other performances by the Show Choir and Chorus during this year will be held at the Agawam Junior High and Middle Schools. They will be traveling to the University of New Hampshire's Jazz Festival in March, and will also perform the Bop & Pop Show in the spring at Agawam High.

Choreographer Jeanne Jones is originally from Chicago and moved "about a month ago" from the Boston area. She is presently a New York City actress, dancer, and singer.

Ms. Jones has worked in the Midwest, Southwest, and New England areas performing musicals, judging Show Choir festivals, and teaching choreography. She played the part of Maria in "The Sound of Music," at Stowe, Vermont, and her most recent television commercial is for National Car Rental.

She will perform the lead role in "Avita," to open in



PROFESSIONAL CHOREOGRAPHER JEANNE JONES (left) returned to Agawam High School, Wednesday, October 7th, to give a clinic with the school's Show Choir and Chorus. Students pictured are Kim Satkowski and Elizabeth Kor-

Za. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

January at the Act One Arena Theatre.

Files said, "We have had very good success working with Jeanne over the past four years," and Ms. Jones added, "I love working with the group (Agawam's Show Choir)."

Files continued, "Jeanne choreographed two routines for both groups this year and it will be her first time working with the Chorus. She has been working with the Show Choir since the fall of 1983.

"She'll spend approximately four hours with each group, working from 2:00 until 10:00 p.m., in the

auditorium. While she works with the two groups, I will video tape the routines for further instruction and reinforcement over the upcoming months," Files concluded.

There will be other choreographers working with the Show Choir and Chorus throughout the year. Sixteen Show Choir students attended a camp this summer at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, where they worked on choreography with Lamont Ridgell. Ridgell is scheduled to work with the groups at the high school next month.

40th Reunion Set For St. Thomas Aquinas School

The 1947 graduating class of St. Thomas Aquinas Grammar School, Springfield, will meet Saturday, November 7th, for their 40th grammar school reunion.

There will be a Mass at St. Thomas Aquinas Church, corners Waverly and Dwight Streets, Springfield, at 4:00 p.m. The Church organist, Richard D. Vadnais, Esq., is a graduate of the 1947 class.

Following the church ceremony, a dinner reception will be held at the Sheraton Inn-West, Deerfield Room, West Springfield. A "Vin de Rencontre" reception will be at 5:30 p.m., followed by dinner. The invocation will be given by Therese Smith Brodeur.

Serving on the committee are Therese Smith Brodeur, Agawam; Claire Martin Florian, East

Longmeadow; Rene J. LeClerc, DDS, Springfield; Rita Roy Massey, Springfield; Lillian Smith Peloquin, Chicopee; and Richard D. Vadnais, Esq., Springfield.

Reservations may be made by contacting Rita Massey, 733-0335. Among the missing is Doris Blais of Ludlow. If anyone knows of her whereabouts, please contact a member of the committee.

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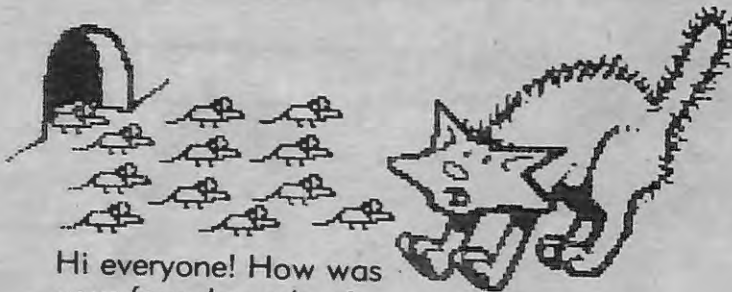
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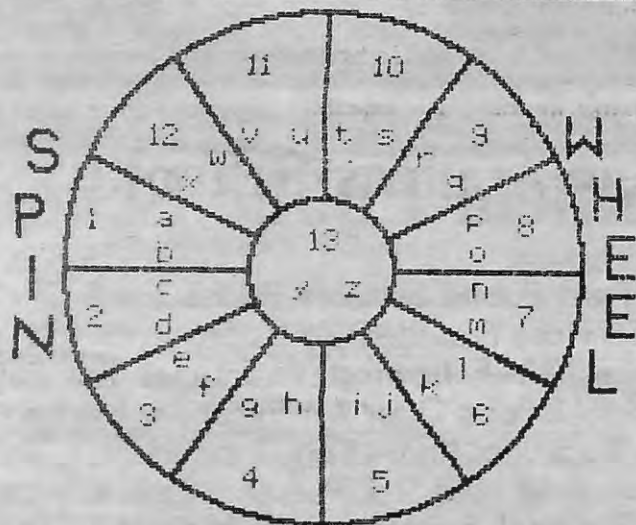
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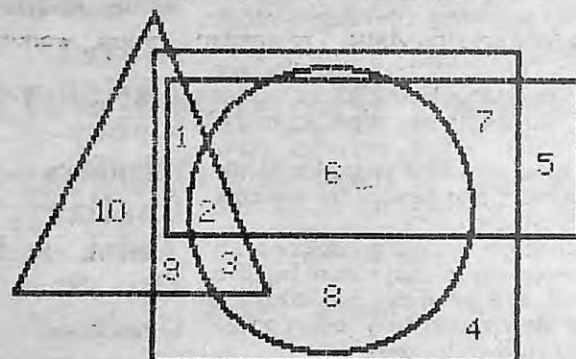


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Early Childhood Advisory Council Named For Schools

by Iris Copson
School Dept. Editor

The Town of Agawam is eligible for up to \$100,000 in early childhood implementation funds under Chapter 188. In order to apply for these funds, an Early Childhood Advisory Council was appointed to assess community needs and resources, and to develop early childhood proposals.

The council membership met Friday, October 9th, for the first time and included Ms. Cindy Joyce, Special Education assistant director, who chairs the council; Robinson Park Principal Barbara Skolnick; kindergarten teachers Linda Orr, Judy Spellacy; Granger teachers Linda Burnham, Joyce Rheame; Deborah Cante, Children's School; state-mandated members Laura Stinnette from the Pre-school Enrichment Team in Holyoke; and Janice Tessini, Westfield Infant/Toddler Education liaison. Parents of young children in public and private settings also serving on the council are Ellen Mantolesky, Helen Manning, Sue Adamczyk, and Debbie Keilly.

To begin program planning, Peggy Sullivan will update the community resource guides and directories to identify all Human Service Agencies.

Documentation from the Town Report on kindergarten enrollment predictions for next year, retention statistics for kindergarten and first grade, and results of kindergarten screenings must be gathered and analyzed.

Lists of all agencies, day cares, nurseries, and pre-school programs must be developed for reference, and surveys for parents, pre-school providers, and teachers will be circulated and the results compiled and published.

Agawam's application for the implementation grant in early childhood programs is reinforced by the reasoning that the state may require public schools to be mandated to service three and four-year olds in the system by 1990.

Some examples of programs funded by Chapter 188 include a full day child care center for three and four year-olds in a community housing project, with opportunities for families to make use of agency services; a school-based pilot project providing a developmentally based program for three and four year-olds, combined with parent/home training; an early childhood program for four year-olds based at a local Head Start site that offers comprehensive child and family services; and a high school-based program which provides early childhood services for three and four year-olds, while preparing high school juniors and seniors for the care and education of young children.

Also, a transitional kindergarten/first grade program which continues a developmental approach for five and six year-old children; and a full day kindergarten program enhanced by developmentally appropriate materials and a reduced staff-child ratio.



EARLY CHILDHOOD ADVISORY COUNCIL MEMBERS, from left - Ellen Mantolesky, Sue Adamczyk, Deborah A. Conte, Cynthia Joyce, and Barbara Skolnick. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



More Early Childhood Advisory Council members - Judith Spellacy, Jan Tesini, and Linda Orr. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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"How To Study" Booklets Available For Middle School Students

by Iris Copson
School Dept. Editor

Principal Ralph Zavarella was pleased to have the "How To Study" paperback booklets available for a third consecutive year at Agawam Middle School. Guidance counselors will introduce the booklet to students in fifth and sixth grades to aid students in acquiring proper study habits.

Counselors Thomas Dacey and Ellen Freeman will discuss these booklets with their respective grade students to cover the importance of studying, establishing a proper study setting, taking notes, utilizing the library and reference books, writing a report, taking a test, and learning by doing.

Zavarella said, "I feel very strongly about initiating proper study skills at the Middle School level. As a past guidance counselor, I feel a need for students to develop strong study habits to prepare them for junior high."

He observed, "Students at this age are not greatly disorganized, but come to Middle School from four different elementary school backgrounds. This program will enable the counselors to uniformly present some very important skills that should be maintained throughout the students' school careers."

Both counselors and Zavarella ask that parents support this program by reviewing the informative 15-page guide with their children. The parental cooperation, said Zavarella, will reinforce the topics discussed by the counselors and ensure success in developing good study skills.

An eight-page pamphlet entitled, "Introducing Your School Counselor," will also be distributed to Middle School students to relate the role of the guidance counselor. The pamphlet explains to parents that the guidance counselor is available to students in many areas to offer assistance throughout their social and academic school years.

With the onset of the home-school adjustment counselor at the elementary level, it is hoped that both parents and students will become familiar with seeking advice from the counselors.

Counselors request that parents contact them with any questions or concerns, and that students learn to implement the role of the guidance counselor as a useful part of their education.

Speakers From D.A.R.E. At Granger PTO October 19th

On Monday, October 19th, at 7:30 p.m., the Clifford M. Granger PTO will hold its second general meeting in the school cafeteria.

Representatives from the D.A.R.E. (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) Program will be present to discuss substance abuse and the role of self-esteem as a contributing factor. D.A.R.E. is a new program being presented at the Agawam Middle School to fifth graders.

All are invited to attend this informative discussion to discover more about the prevention programs available and parental opportunities for involvement in these programs.

Clark PTO To Hear Dr. Gallerani

Richard W. Gallerani, optometrist, whose office is located at Crossroads Shoppes, Feeding Hills, will be the guest speaker at the James Clark P.T.O. meeting to be held Tuesday, October 20th, in the school cafeteria, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Eye disorders and their detection in school-aged children will be the topic of discussion for the evening.

This is an open meeting and all are invited to attend. We look forward to seeing you there.

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The Children's School Visits Cincotta Farm



LAURA CINCOTTA, owner and operator of Cincotta Farm, Springfield Street, Feeding Hills, greets students from the Children's School, owned and operated by Deborah A. Conte. The kids arrived to select their Halloween pumpkins. Advertiser News

photo by Jack Devine.

Science Museum's Exploration Center To Open

The grand opening of the Springfield Science Museum's new hands-on Exploration Center, Saturday, October 17th, will kick-off with a ribbon-cutting ceremony at 12:00 noon. Mayor Richard Neal and Congressman Edward Boland will take part in the festivities. A weekend of free family programs and activities is planned.

The schedule is as follows:

Saturday, October 17th: 12:00 noon-opening ceremonies; 1:00 p.m. "Trees Are Terrific"; a children's puppet show featuring Burt the Raccoon; 2:00 p.m. "The World of Snakes"; a program featuring a variety of live snakes presented by the Zoological Research, Inc.; Plus: Children's nature crafts, science demonstrations, natural history video, museum scavenger hunts, and balloons.

Sunday, October 18th: 1:00 p.m. "The Tree Factory: Creating a Museum Exhibit"; a slide program by exhibit preparator Thor Holbek showing how the new exhibits were created; 2:00 p.m. "Who Dunnit?"; a children's puppet show by the Jabberwocky Puppet Theater; Plus: Children's nature crafts, science demonstrations, natural history videos, museum scavenger hunts, and balloons.

All programs are free and open to the public. Seating will be available on a first come-first served basis. The new Exploration Center is open Tuesday through Sunday from 12:00 noon to 5:00 p.m. Admission is free.

The Science Museum is located on the Quadrangle at the corner of State and Chestnut Streets in downtown Springfield. For information, please call 733-1194.

Charter "99" Scholarship Committee To Meet

The Charter "99" Scholarship Committee will hold its annual kick-off dinner meeting at the St. Anthony Church Hall, Agawam, Sunday, October 25th, at 6:30 p.m., 108 Bridge Street, Agawam.

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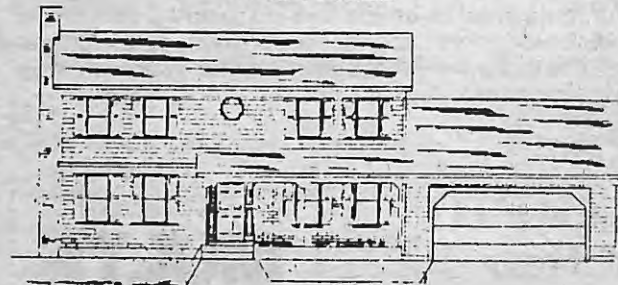
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Agawam High Band Parents To Hold Busy Bee Party Baystate Medical Center Schedules Big Job Fair For Oct. 24th

On Friday, October 23rd, at 7:30 p.m., a Busy Bee Pocketbook Party will be held in the Agawam High School Bandroom. All are invited. Refreshments will be served.

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FIREFIGHTER JOE MERCADANTE visited the town's Perry Lane Nursery School last week, much to the delight of the youngsters who attend. Several EMT's also visited the school with the town's ambulance. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Agawam High Marching Mohawks Losing Battle Vs. Mother Nature

Agawam High School's Marching Mohawks have been fighting a losing battle with the weather this year as yet another parade washed out on them with the cancelling of the Springfield Columbus Day Parade last weekend.

This year has been a frustrating one with heavy rain on the day of the band's candy sale in September, along with marching in a heavy downpour at the Boston Constitution Parade. Weather conditions at the first home football game would not allow their performance, and now two parades have been cancelled, including the "snowed-out" Fall Foliage Parade in North Adams.

This week's scheduled performances will include an appearance at the American International College football game and Homecoming Day events in Springfield on Saturday afternoon. Game time is 1:00 p.m., at AIC Field, Springfield.

On Sunday afternoon, the band will enter their first Field Contest of the Fall Season at a Massachusetts Instrumental Conductors sponsored event at South Hadley, which will feature bands from East Bridgewater, Franklin, Cathedral, and Shepherd Hill from Massachusetts, and Windsor Locks High School. The South Hadley event starts at 1:00 p.m., and will also feature an exhibition by the University of Massachusetts Band at the conclusion of the high school groups.

This year, the Massachusetts band contests will not award individual places such as first, second, third, etc., but will give division ratings on a star rating system for various elements in the bands' performances.

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GRANGER SCHOOL PTO members pictured with Principal James Loomis. From left - Joanne Ferrentino, Georgene Knight, and Bonnie Krapf. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



JANE ZABIELSKI, kindergarten teacher; Alma Benton, president of the PTO; and Ann Favreau, kindergarten teacher, at the school's recent PTO meeting. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Spooky Halloween Promised For Laughing Brook Oct. 31st

At sundown on Halloween night, Massachusetts Audubon Society's Laughing Brook Education Center, Hampden, will once again be transformed into a Haunted Trail, Saturday, October 31st, from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. Pre-registration is required by October 28th.

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Ghostly trail guides will depart every 15 minutes, starting at 6:30 p.m. After walking our haunted trail, reconvene inside for traditional treats and games. Come in costume, if you dare. Dress warmly; much of the program takes place outdoors. And don't be late, the last group leaves at 8:00 p.m.

Fees for the program are as follows:

Massachusetts Audubon members, \$5 for two family members; \$2 additional family members; Non-members, \$6 for two family members; \$2 additional family members.

For more information, call Laughing Brook, 566-8034.

Agawam Schools' Lunch Menu

Monday, October 19th: Tomato and macaroni soup, grilled cheese sandwich, pickle chips, tossed garden salad with French dressing, peaches in syrup, milk.

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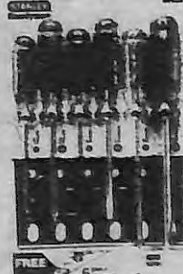
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25 Years Of Memories At AHS '62 Reunion



THE AGAWAM HIGH SCHOOL Class of 1962 held its 25-year reunion in Westfield this past Saturday night, and the gang gathered for a group picture. (MORE PHOTOS ON PAGE 48). Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Agawam Parents Advisory Council Elects Officers For School Year

The Agawam Parents' Advisory Council for Special Needs Children (PAC) has recently elected new officers for the 1987-88 school year. The newly-elected chairwoman is Michelle Dunn; Assistant Chairwoman, Gail Conlon; Treasurer, Susan Bednarzyk; and Secretary, Carol Shively.

The Agawam PAC is a group of concerned parents whose children have problems ranging from minor learning problems to a severe handicap.

The main goal of the PAC is to work with the Special Education administration of the School Department in targeting and strengthening weak areas in the Special

Education system. The PAC offers parents the opportunity to express their concerns at their monthly meetings. They also offer assistance to parents by helping them on an individual basis.

This group meets monthly to share information and help parents to work effectively with the school system. Any parent who has concerns or questions regarding their child's progress in school is encouraged to attend these informative meetings.

If you are unable to attend these meetings but have questions or comments, you may contact Michelle Dunn, 786-9397, Gail Conlon, 786-9727.

Written comments should be addressed to the secretary, Carol Shively, 1213 North Westfield Street, Feeding Hills. Support and input is needed from you to make improvements in Special Education Programs that help Agawam students.

The meeting dates set for this school year are as follows: **October 20th, November 17th, December 15th, January 19th, February 23rd, March 15th, April 26th, May 17th.**

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ENJOYING THEIR 25TH CLASS REUNION in Westfield last Saturday night are Buddy Baker, Jack Graveline, Donna Baker, and Dorothy Graveline. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



AGAWAM HIGH SCHOOL Class of 1962 members who traveled the farthest to attend last Saturday night's 25th class reunion were Tom Theroux, Connie Harris, Dick Vermeiren, and Wayne Carroll. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



CLASS OF 1962 MEMBERS WHO planned the 25-year reunion. Back row - Sandy Ashton, Carol Long, Gail Longey, Diane Faits, Pat Sakellis, and Bob Oliver. Front row - Walter Fogg, Louie Scherpa, Judy Clow, Nancy Toussaint, and Pat Oliver. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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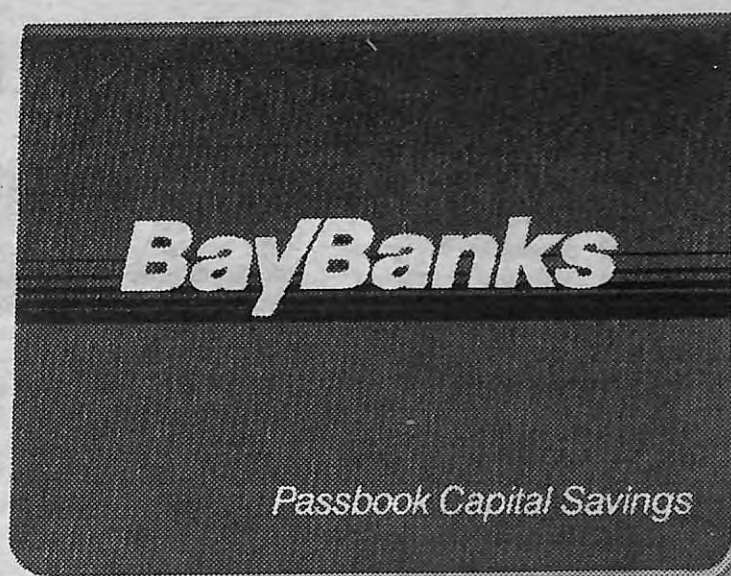
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AHS Girls Soaring On Div. I Pitch

by Michael S. Sardella
Advertiser News Sports Editor

Is this 1987 Agawam High girls' soccer team one of the best to come along in any sport at the school in many years?

The locals sport a perfect Division I mark of 9-0 and are being highly-praised by opposing coaches and teams throughout Western Mass.

The Brownies have 20 players on the squad and each one has played a role in those nine straight victories. While the locals have several players who surely will receive All-Western Mass. honors in November, it's been a team effort from the word go last month.

The Brownies have tremendous depth - probably the best in WM. Player for player, there's no match. This depth has set the Brownies apart from the opposition so far. Without depth, a great team usually cannot achieve their often lofty goals (just ask the 1986-87 Boston Celtics).

A Hungry Group

For anyone who has taken in an AHS girls' soccer game this fall, one thing's for sure - the Brownies are a hungry group with a strong will to win.

You want to play physical. The Brownies get physical. Want finesse? They have finesse. Want passing. They can pass. Want defense? The locals have it. Need a few goals? They'll score 'em. Get the picture?

Not only are the Brownies 9-0, but at presstime, Bill O'Brien's group has posted five straight shutouts. In fact, the opposition has managed only two goals the entire season vs. the locals. Overall, the Brownies have posted seven shutouts and West Springfield and Ludlow are the only sides to score against them.

With these stats, two fine goalkeepers, and an explosive offense, what can O'Brien say about his troops?

"There really isn't much to say," remarked O'Brien. "I really think this team has it all. Our starters are superb and we don't lose anything when we substitute. All the girls are versatile and I've never had this kind of depth before."

O'Brien, now in his sixth year, may be an underrated coach. Ever since he assumed command of the Brownies' coaching helm, his teams have posted impressive numbers each year. Sure, O'Brien's been blessed with some outstanding talent, but he can get more out of his players and knows how to win.

When asked about his team's chances of going the route without a loss, O'Brien responded, "Realistically, this is extremely tough to do. That's something we're

not putting a lot of thought into. If it happens, fine. What we are trying to do is forget all the press and to play one game at a time and not look too far down the road."

One aspect of his strategy that bears testimony about Agawam's iron-like depth is O'Brien's willingness to substitute - wholesale, without even blinking a lash. This has really worked well as the various units and combinations have established excellent communication. The excellent team passing further proves this.

The starting forwards are probably the best line of strikers in WM. Sophomore Karen Patterson (7 goals/9 assists), senior captain Kelly Sullivan (8 goals, 7 assists), the recently returned Missy Desrosiers (6 goals/7 assists) work well together.

Second line strikers Debbie Albano, Brie Cosgrove, and Carrie Piccoli have received their share of points and playing time, and simply continue the torrid pressure in the opponents end when spelling the starters.

At midfield, the Brownies can and do dominate. Starters Beth Whittaker (captain-3 goals/5 assists), Jennifer Scaggs, and Missy Brown are fast and physical. Kellie Wright, Marlo Montesi, and Michelle Fitzgerald are the strong second team at midfield.

Backline Strong & Physical

The backline, which uses a "diamond defense," is outstanding. Starters Alana Graham (stopper), Michelle Urbinati (captain), Tracy Sitek, and Cathy Scaggs (sweeper) seem to be on a mission not to allow opponents to get a single shot off in any game. This group is aggressive and physical.

The second unit of Kelly Erskine, Katie Burns, and Missy Danio further solidify the defenses. Danio shares the goaltending chores with Paula Fieldstad. The two have combined for seven shutouts, and that number will undoubtedly increase as October progresses.

With everyone receiving valuable playing time and experience, the Brownies are on line for the WM tournament and hopefully, a collision course with the Division I title, a feat they accomplished back in 1982 - but that team was a real sleeper and did not possess the talent from one end of the roster to the other.

"The 1982 team won on heart and desire, but was basically only 13 players or so doing the job. This team (1987) has 20 players contributing and is simply much stronger. Actually, I would pay money to see my team split in half and play each other."

Brownie Gals Take 5th Shutout By Blasting East L.

by Michael S. Sardella
Advertiser News Sports Editor

Senior striker Kelly Sullivan scored two goals and the defense again held the opposition off the board as the Agawam High girls' varsity soccer team posted an easy, 6-0 victory over East Longmeadow, Monday, October 12th, at a cloudy and chilly Harman Smith Field.

The win gave the Brownies their ninth straight this season without a loss while running their shutout streak to five consecutive games.

At presstime, the Brownies were to face a stiff challenge from undefeated Holyoke (9-0-1).

"We looked pretty good out there today," said coach Bill O'Brien after the easy EL win. "The girls may have over-passed a little, but I was pleased with their hustle and how they controlled most of the play."

In again displaying they have no weaknesses, the Brownies simply ran EL out of town.

The first half was totally dominated by AHS as they scored three goals and allowed only one shot.

After a few early scoring chances passed by, the Brownies got on the board. Senior tri-captain Beth Whittaker took a few from sophomore sensation Karen Patterson and booted a drive from the top of the box. The shot caught the far post (to the goalie's left) and found the back of the net. 1-0.

Surprisingly, the next big scoring opportunity went to EL. A Spartan forward had a breakaway and as goalie Paula Fieldstad came out to cut the angle, the shot went wide right.

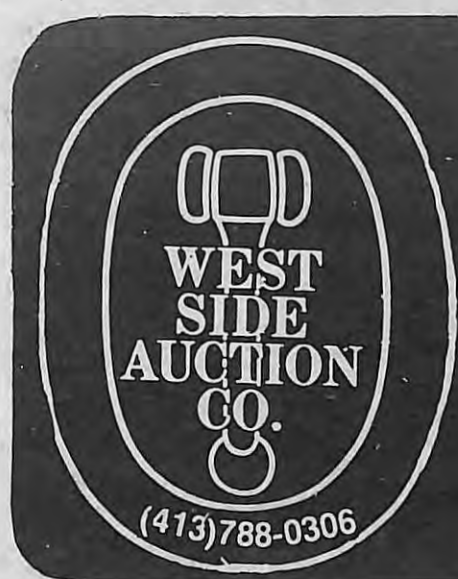
A few minutes later, Sullivan had back-to-back chances to score. Her first was nullified by the EL keeper after she had been sent in on a feed from Patterson. In Sullivan's second chance, her blast from the right wing trickled through the keeper's legs and an alert Missy Desrosiers knocked the ball into the open net (with a defender wearing her back). 2-0.

With under nine minutes remaining to go before intermission, Patterson led Sullivan in all alone again and this time she booted a drive to the bullseye. 3-0.

The next Brownies' tally came seven minutes into the second half. Patterson was taken down about 20 yards out and a direct kick was called. O'Brien gave Jennifer Scaggs the nod and she rifled a shot that found the top left-hand corner of the net. 4-0.

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Despite Losing To Lee Devours AHS Panthers, Gridmen As Panthers Take Still In AA Race AA Opener, 33-14

by Michael S. Sardella
Advertiser News Sports Editor

Well folks - let's face it. The Agawam High football Brownies were going to lose. And the word was that the games vs. Cathedral (last Saturday) and Westfield (Friday night) were supposed to be the two toughest. Against Cathedral it was just one of the games to forget - the fickle finger of fate was pointed directly at the locals.

Hey. Why the long face? This Brownie squad has the talent and ability to bounce right back. They're still in the running for the AA title. That will be a difficult feat to accomplish if they lose Friday night. But the season is far and away improved on what's been shown in the past five years. There's no comparison.

In the Whip City Friday night, the Brownies are up against probably a better balanced team than Cathedral (minus Marcus Lee, CHS is not a league champion). The Bombers are a strong two-way squad who can score. And don't think they have forgotten last year's stunning 21-0 upset by the Brownies at Harmon Smith Field. That derailed their drive to the title. Westfield was never the same team after that.

Back to last Saturday's defeat vs. Cathedral at a crowded AIC field, the final score was deceiving, especially to someone who glanced at the score at the newspaper. One of the bizarre occurrences from last week's game came in the first half.

In that half, the Brownies had 10 first downs and Cathedral had just one. But they scored 21 points with one first down. Figure that out and call me.

Actually, it can be explained in one name - Marcus Lee. Lee, a junior tailback and free safety for CHS, gave his team the first half almost singlehandedly. He put CHS up, 14-6, with a sparkling 81-yard kickoff return and broke a 14-14 tie with a spectacular 75-yard interception return for a TD before halftime.

That theft not only stopped the Brownies from scoring the go-ahead touchdown but also completely turned the game in the Panthers' favor.

SEE AHS FOOTBALL - Page 52...

by Michael S. Sardella
Advertiser News Sports Editor

Tailback Marcus Lee scored three touchdowns in three different ways in a brilliant individual performance to lead Cathedral High to a 33-14 victory over Agawam, Saturday, October 10th, at sun-drenched AIC Park. It was the AA Conference opener for both schools.

The win gave the Panthers a 4-0 record and put them atop the AA Conference with Westfield and Minnechaug. The loss was the Brownies first of the fall (3-1) after convincing wins over Ludlow, East Longmeadow, and Longmeadow.

Agawam was dealt severe blows by turnovers and big plays by Cathedral. The Brownies outplayed their opponents in the first half. One statistic that can testify to that is their 11 first downs compared to one by the Panthers. However, it was the Panthers who walked away with the intermission lead. That was one of the game's real keys.

"We really played well in the opening half," noted coach Joe Modzelewski, not hiding his frustration. "Unfortunately, we made a few costly mistakes that they capitalized on. This was definitely the wrong game to make mistakes, too."

"Being down by a touchdown at the half after outplaying them was tough to swallow. In the second half we simply couldn't get anything going and catch-up football is always rough."

The opening minutes of the contest were a tell-tale sign to the large gathering of Brownie fans of the coming attractions. After being stopped on their first possession of the game, the locals were forced to punt. But they didn't get it downfield.

Instead, Cathedral's Aaron Hunter flew in and blocked it. He grabbed the loose ball and rambed into the endzone for the touchdown, just two minutes into the game. Geoff Whittier added the extra point for the 7-0 lead.

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JIM LOCKWOOD coasts down the sidelines for a 26-yard pass reception early in the second quarter. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

GIRLS' SOCCER - From Page 50...

Ten minutes later the freshman strikers off the bench got into the scoring act as Carrie Piccoli and Brie Cosgrove raced down the left wing. Cosgrove used her speed to lose one defender before she booted a left-footed drive on the short side that found the net. 5-0.

The final touch was provided by Sullivan with 10 minutes left. Whittaker passed across the top of the box to Sullivan on the right side. Sullivan notched her second goal with a drive that caught the top far corner (to the keeper's right).

The Brownies' superb defense didn't allow much EL offense - only three shots and a second half cornerkick. Spearheading the defense were Alana Graham, Michelle Urbinati, Tracy Sitek, and Cathy Scaggs.

In goal, Paula Fieldstad (1 save) and Missy Danio (2 saves) could have taken the day off except for that one breakaway on Fieldstad in the first half. EL was barely in the Brownies' zone.

Following the big battle vs. Holyoke, the locals were slated to face Northampton at home, Friday, October 16th.

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ALL MARCUS LEE - from Page 51...

Lee added another TD in the second half on an 18-yard run from scrimmage for his third of the game. He finished with 250 all-purpose yards, and even recorded 12 tackles, that included a fumble recovery. Not a bad day's work.

One other big play for the Panthers (beside's Lee's kickoff return and interception) was Aaron Hunter's blocked punt in the opening two minutes of the game. This turned into a quick six points when he charged into the endzone. Took away those three plays and CHS really didn't do that much. They enjoyed five turnovers, a blocked punt for a TD, an interception for a TD, a kickoff for a TD, and even with Marcus Lee, was CHS really the dominant team out there?

But all those things added up to a 19-point loss. Offensively, the Brownies proved the CHS defense could be bent and broken, especially in the first half. QB John Serra finished with 150 yards on 11-21 and one touchdown. But he when he was off, he was off as those four interceptions proved.

Jason Wooley, the Brownies major scoring threat from the backfield, tallied 79 yards on 17 carries in the first half but was forced out the entire second half with a deep thigh bruise. Senior tough-guy Tom Cascio filled in admirably and hammered-out 46 yards on the ground.

Defensively, middle-linebacker Pete Vecchiarelli led the team with 11 tackles in a fine effort. Jeff Peterson, Chris Ollari, and Daren Brown each had four to their credit. Scott Mazza also looked sharp in the trenches, while senior Jeff Reece had a fine two-way game.

"I thought we played a pretty good all-around game," quipped coach Joe Modzelewski. "We had chances to comeback, but we really didn't get the big plays. They got them all. Being down at halftime, especially after the way they scored to go in front again (Lee's 75-yard interception) was a tough situation for the guys. It gave them (CHS) all the momentum in the second half."

It sure did. Cathedral came out breathing fire and looking all business. They didn't waste much time in expanding their seven-point lead to 14. The 13-play drive, with Lee and Kevin Lemke pounding out important yards, gave CHS a 27-14 lead. That was that.

Going into the Whip City Friday night, it's a big game for both teams, even more for the locals if they still hope to get a crack at the AA title. Should they lose, it's still not all lost because what's in front of them after two brutal weeks is nowhere near as tough.

"The Bombers are a big, physical team. They have a good offense and superb defense. It will be very tough to beat them on their home turf. I know the guys are capable of doing it. We must stay away from turnovers and try to control the ball as much as possible," offered Modzelewski.

Westfield has allowed only 21 points so far this year, and have scored 103. They have three of the division's top scorers, and they basically are a much better all-around ballclub than Cathedral.

Stay away from turnovers. Play tough defense. A big play in their favor here or there. The Brownies don't come in as huge underdogs as in past years. It shouldn't be any Sunday picnic for either team.

BROWNIES BOW - From Page 51...

The Brownies answered right back, however. Sophomore tailback Jason Wooley led Agawam's march downfield with a few nifty runs, and junior quarterback John Serra hit senior wide-out Jim Lockwood for valuable yards, including a 26-yard pickup down the left sideline that put the locals on Cathedral's 13.

Wooley then scampered into paydirt on the next play for six, but the Brownies extra-point failed due to a high snap from center.

On the following kickoff, Lee struck with sudden swiftness. After mishandling the ball on his own 19, and faster than you can say gone, Lee was indeed gone. He outraced the pack for an electrifying 81-yard touchdown. Whittier's point-after put the Panthers up, 14-6, with just under three minutes on the first quarter clock.

But the Brownies fought right back. They began their second scoring march in the second quarter to tie it at 14-14. The drive was capped when Serra hit Jeff Reece for a 19-yard strike. Reece made several sweet moves to evade would-be tacklers to go into the endzone.

On the all-important two-point conversion, Serra raced around left end, took a solid hit, and flipped into the end zone for two. 14-14.

After holding the Panthers, the Brownies again began to drive downfield as the Serra-Lockwood combination clicked again, moving the ball into Cathedral territory. Right when it appeared the Brownies were about to make a strong statement by taking the lead, the game's complete turning point accured - again like lightning.

Lee cut in front of a quick-Serra pass over the middle on his own 25-yard line and returned the interception 75 yards for the game-winning score. That play shook the Brownies' plenty and the Panthers never looked back. The extra-point made it 21-14 at intermission.

After the game, Modzelewski held the bag for Lee's interception.

"I'll take the blame for that interception because I called the wrong formation and wasn't thinking about where Lee would be on the play."

As the second half got underway, the Brownies had another big problem other than their seven-point deficit - Wooley was sidelined for the rest of the game. He had suffered a deep thigh bruise in the second quarter and he wasn't able to stretch-out properly at

the half. So, Wooley took his 79 yards and one touchdown to the bench, thereby allowing Cathedral to better stack the line.

The home folks let the visitors know this day was theirs immediately. They took the kickoff and marched 70 yards for another touchdown, mainly by pounding it out on the ground, along with several passes.

Capping off the drive was a Whittier quarterback sneak from a yard out. Both Lee and Kevin Lemke hammered out the yardage on the drive. The extra point was muffed. 27-14.

The Brownies' problems continued as they took the kickoff. This time it was another turnover. They fumbled on their first possession and it looked as though the locals had no chance of a comeback. And they didn't.

The final nail came midway through the fourth quarter. The Panthers drove downfield and found paydirt one more time as Lee got his third TD on an 18-yard run. The extra-point was again missed. 33-14.

The loss left a bad taste in the Agawam lockerroom, especially after reading the scoreboard - it was indeed deceiving. But it's not the end of the world.

"Hey, we're still a good football team," noted Modzelewski. "We played our best out there. Before the game I warned about turnovers and mistakes, and they killed us. And what can you say about Marcus Lee? He was fantastic on both offense and defense. Take him away from them and they're a much different football team."

Agawam doesn't have much time to dwell on the loss. Staring them in the face is an excellent Westfield High team (3-0, 1-0 in AA). They will go at it in a night game, Friday, October 16th, in the Whip City. Look for a physical battle, a good game, and a loud and large crowd to be on hand.

EXTRA POINTS: The Brownies still lead the AA Conference in scoring with 107...Lockwood had 8 catches for 105 yards...Reece had three catches for 42 yards and one TD...Agawam had more first downs than Cathedral (16-11)...Serra's four interceptions were more than he had in the opening three games...Middle linebacker Peter Vecchiarelli leads the Brownies in tackles with 36 in four games...Senior Tom Cascio flattened Panther QB Geoff Whittier with a blind-side sack in the opening half, but was also on the receiving end of a wicked hit by Lee-however, this guy is one tough hombre...Serra is now 7th in AA scoring with 23 points...Wooley is questionable for the Westfield game.

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Brownie Offense Has Good 1st Half; Fades In 2nd



AHS JUNIOR QB John Serra (10) fades back to pass as Jason Wooley (22) and Scott Mazza (72) offer protection. Serra and the offense had a good first half up until the final minutes when Marcus Lee stole the show with a 75-yard interception. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

SENIOR TIM LOCKWOOD has just caught a John Serra pass in first half action vs. Cathedral High last Saturday. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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Stubborn Defense Leads Frosh Gridmen To 12-0 Whitewash

by Michael S. Sardella
Advertiser News Sports Editor

John Maki and Frank Demarinis each had a touchdown run and the Agawam Junior High defense clamped-down on the Cathedral Panthers, leading the frosh to a 12-0 shutout victory, Friday, October 9th, at the junior high field.

For the Warriors it was their third straight victory and second whitewash. In the team's opener, EL fell to the Warriors, 14-0.

"This was the hardest the guys have played so far this year," noted coach Lou Conte. "We had pretty good execution on offense and the defense was very strong. They were gang-tackling all game and are really coming along. We still have some things to work on, but the guys are really in it now."

The first quarter was a defensive struggle as both sides couldn't get much going on offense. The Warriors did have a substantial drive before the quarter's end, but a turnover killed it in Panther territory.

Agawam managed to get on the scoreboard in the second stanza with an impressive 60-yard march. Demarinis, who does the punting as well for the locals (besides being a running back), was set to punt when a bad snap forced him to run with the ball. He managed to get a first down to keep the drive in gear.

A few plays later, Maki cruised to paydirt from 10-yards out for the game's first points. The extra-point failed so the lead remained at 6-0.

The rest of the half and most of the third period was again controlled by defense. The Warriors had a good drive going in the third quarter, but it stalled on the Panthers' 15-yard line.

The only points scored in the fourth quarter were by the home folks. Agawam took over near midfield and took advantage of this fine field position to visit the endzone again.

Demarinis sparked the drive with a sparkling 40-yard scamper that put the Warriors on the 2. On the next play, Demarinis scooted in for the TD, his sixth trip to paydirt in three games. The extra-point again failed. 12-0.

Mike Sibilia, who was filling-in for regular quarterback Steve Moccio (out with flu), ran the show well for the frosh. Maki took Sibilia's fullback spot against Cathedral and played well. Anthony Campiti and Chris McGrath were again strong in the trenches on both offense and defense for the winners.

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Football Brownies Had Enough Of Marcus Lee



AGAWAM HIGH FOOTBALL BROWNIES were gang-tackling Cathedral High's star tailback all afternoon during a 33-14 loss. While the defense contained Lee very well from scrimmage, he burned them on two long touchdowns on a kickoff and interception. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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Brownies Battle Central To 1-1 Tie

by Michael S. Sardella
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Both Agawam and Central High Schools received first half goals as they received first half goals as they battled to a 1-1 deadlock, Tuesday, October 13th, in a contest that featured two opening round opponents from last year's Western Mass. Division I Tournament.

The regulation tie was the fourth consecutive between the two teams. Last season the Brownies and Eagles were notted up through regulation and a few tension-filled overtime sessions before AHS finally prevailed in a shootout of penalty shots. From there, the locals went on to capture the Division I title, the school's first ever in boys' soccer.

"I was pleased with our play in the first half," noted coach Dick Cowles after watching the Brownies go to 7-2-1. "We had to go into a stiff wind and the guys really passed the ball well. In the second half we come out flat and didn't move well at all. It was a tough game against a very tough squad in tough conditions."

Most of the first half was a physical one and each team had their chances to get on the scoreboard. However, neither side found the back of the net until the fast few minutes.

With under four minutes left in the half, the Brownies Joe Martin, playing left wing at the time, took a feed from Joe Chiarella and booted a drive that found the twine, giving Agawam a 1-0 lead. Chiarella was to the keeper's left and sent the pass across to Martin, who cut in from the left wing and found the back of the net.

Central was able to tie it before intermission. With just 20 seconds remaining, the wind played devilish tricks with the ball in the Brownies' box and no one could get a handle on it. Finally, Central's Dave Burke, one of the leading scorers in the Churchill/Moriarty Division, picked-up a rebound and beat goalie Steve Simmons.

Both squads failed to score in the second half despite some good opportunities. Following the final whistle, Central went to 5-3-2 (third in the division).

"I thought we could have controlled the midfield play better in this one," noted Cowles. "I give Central a much credit for marking our strikers well and not let-

ting us get many good scoring chances. They are a good team and they always give us a tough battle."

Marked particularly well was senior Ricky Parolo, the leading striker in Division I. The Brownies are now faced with several important games - Westfield, Thursday, October 15th (the Bombers are 6-1-3), and Ludlow, Saturday, October 17th (8-0-2). The Lions will no doubt be seeking to wreak revenge on the Brownies due to the stunning upset in last year's Division I title game.

These are a few big games for us and they'll be a good challenge for the team," says Cowles. "The guys seem to respond well when the competition is tougher. When you are the defending WM champs, there really are no easy games. It's been a long, tough season already and there's still a lot more soccer to be played.

Cowles went on to add that his troops are in good shape physically and ready to make their stretch run in their final third of the campaign. One recent injury involved goalie Dave Poggi, who is out with a hand problem. Travis Hyland, up from the junior varsity, will be backing up Steve Simmons in the nets.

At this point, health appears to be a big adversary for the Brownies as they will try to make a run at the Smith Division title, or the highest seeding possible in the WM tourney.

GOAL KICKS: On Friday, October 9th, the Brownies posted an 8-0 win over Amherst. Parolo (5), Mike Wright, Bryan Boutwell, and Joe Waltz got the goals...On Wednesday, October 7th, the Brownies whitewashed Longmeadow, 5-0, as Chiarella (2), Wright (2), and Chad Blackak, scored...Paul Poole returned for the Central game after missing four games due to a foot injury-he looked extremely confident and played well...Chad Alechny, an All-Western Mass. player, played the entire game vs. Central...Parolo is leading the division in scoring with 15 goals and 7 assists...Chiarella is third with 6 goals and 8 assists...Saturday's game vs. Ludlow is scheduled for Franklin Field at 1:00 p.m.



JOE CHIARELLA MOVES THE BALL upfield for the Agawam High soccer Brownies. Chiarella is third in Smith Division scoring. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

WARRIORS - From Page 54...

The Warriors run into heavy-duty competition in their next contest - undefeated Westfield, Friday, October 16th, at the junior high field.

"This is our first major test of the season," noted Conte. "The guys will be up for it and we've prepared for it. We can for them. It will be a good game filled

with much physical play inside. Hopefully the guys will respond positively to the tough competition.

The local frosh gridmen have five games remaining on their schedule, including Holyoke and Chicopee Comp (the only team to beat them last year), so Conte knows it'll be rough waters from here.

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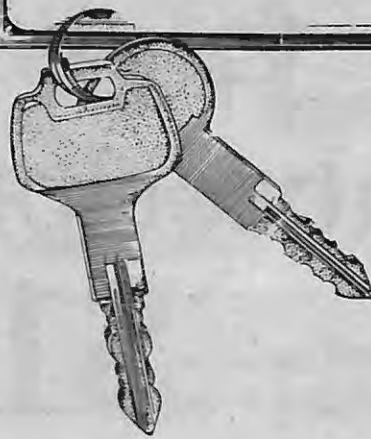
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Frosh Booters Drub Long., Ludlow To Go 7-1 On Season

by Michael S. Sardella
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After a tough 2-1 loss to East Longmeadow October 2nd, which was its first loss of the season, the Agawam Junior High soccer team got mad. Very mad. The Warriors took out their anger on two straight opponents, Longmeadow and Ludlow as they posted easy wins to improve to 7-1 on the campaign.

"We're looking good on both offense and defense right now," says coach Mike LaZazzera. "The guys work hard in practice and it's been paying off in the games. One of our best qualities is communication on the field and that really helps."

Agawam rebounded from their 2-1 loss to EL (after five straight wins) with a convincing, 6-2 victory over previously undefeated Longmeadow, Wednesday, October 7th at Harmon Smith Field.

"The guys were really fired-up for this game and playing at the high school field (for the first time this year) really helped us out," says LaZazzera.

Scoring machine Todd Hyland and Chris Mitchell each had hattricks to lead the frosh booters over the Lancers, who came into the game at 7-0.

Hyland and Mitchell each notched two goals in the opening half to give the Warriors a 4-2 lead after a wild first half. The two tallies by the Lancers marked the first time this year that AHS has allowed more than one goal in a half.

In the second half, Hyland and Mitchell each scored one goal apiece to make the final, 6-2. Brett Boskiewicz was called upon to make 16 saves in goal, while the frosh booters outgunned the Lancers, 20-18.

Hyland (3), Tony Maloni (2), Mitchell, and Matt Canata recorded assists in the win.

The Warriors improved to 7-1, Friday, October 9th, as they posted a 7-1 victory over rival Ludlow at the junior high field. Hyland (4), Mitchell (2), and Maloni did the scoring for the locals.

The locals held a 4-1 lead at halftime as Hyland notched two goals. The Lions' tally came on a penalty shot. Three more goals by the Warriors in the second half finished scoring.

Chris Thornton picked-up his first win of the season (in his first start) as he recorded 12 saves. "Chris had been looking good in practice and I decided to give him a go," says LaZazzera. "He came up with several big

saves and proved he could get the job done."

Mitchell (3), Hyland (2), Shaun Sullivan, Jim Plowman, and Brian McDonald had the assists in this win, which saw the locals outshoot Ludlow, 29-13.

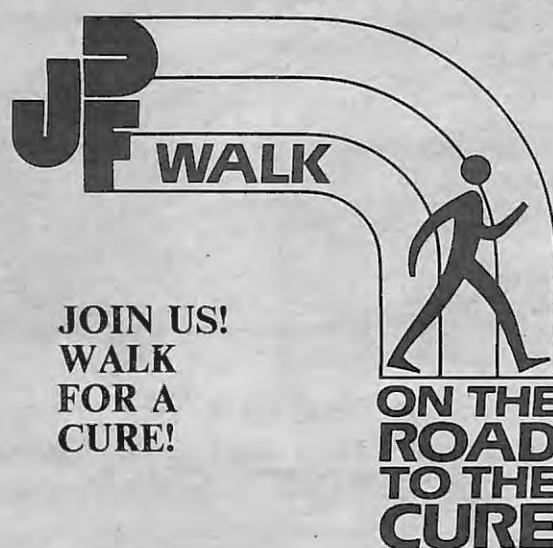
The Warriors' defense has allowed just 7 goals in eight games, and their effective diamond-defense of Canata (stopper), Dan Trollo, Eric Scheckler, and Brian Connery are responsible for that statistic.

Offensively, the locals are outstanding, scoring 47 goals in eight games (just under six per game). Hyland now has 27 goals and 15 assists for a 5.0 per game average. Waw. His statistics include 1 six goal-game; 4 four-goal games; and 1 three-goal game.

Mitchell has 11 goals and 11 assists, good for 22 points. A handful of other players have around the 10-point total.

At presstime, the Warriors were slated to face Westfield at home, followed by Ludlow again, Friday, October 16th (away).

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DAN TROLIO (28) is about to give the ball a good boot while John Battista (1) looks on from upfield. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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Frosh Booters Continue High-Scoring Ways



THE AGAWAM JUNIOR HIGH SOCCER TEAM continued its hot streak with easy wins over Longmeadow and Ludlow. Here, Dan Trollo (28) outraces an opponent to the ball; and in photo right, the Warriors' Matt Canata arrives on the scene to challenge an opponent.

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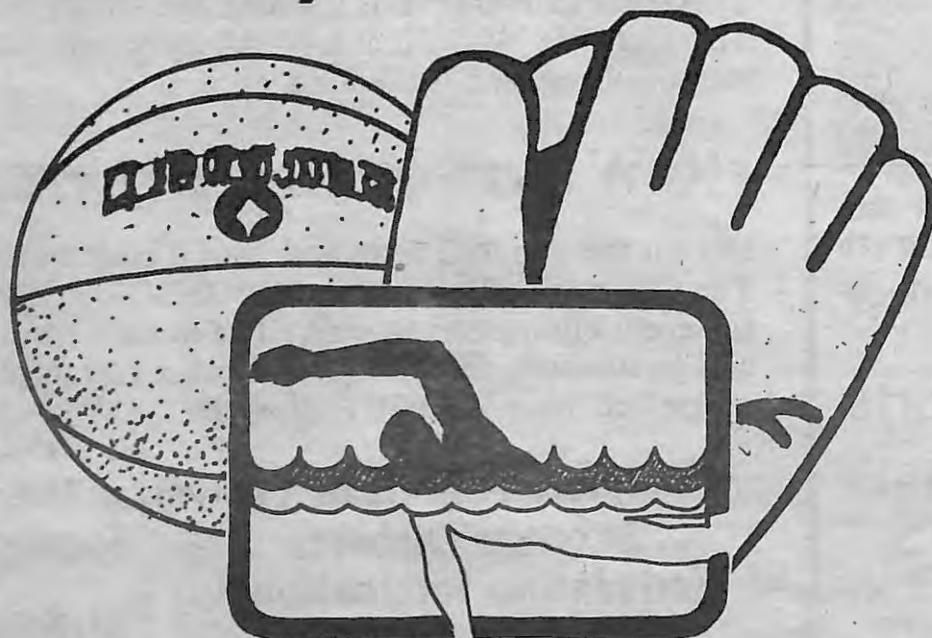
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A Strange Season For Those 1987 Red Sox

OK Red Sox fans. Let's face it. Did you really expect the BoSox to have the kind of season they had in 1986? Well, I didn't. I was almost positive that the Fenway faithful were in for a tough season this year, and that's just what it was—tough. But for some strange reason, it almost seems like this season was a good one.

In terms of wins and losses, it was not a successful year. Yet, despite having a below .500 percentage, the Red Sox drew well at the gate and many fans don't feel too bad when talking about the 1987 Sox. But how can that be? They finished 20 games behind Detroit and were never really in the division race from day one. So what's the deal?

Enter Dwight Evans, Wade Boggs, Roger Clemens, and "the kids." Had it not been for this group of players, the season would truly have been a disaster. But with them, they made things bearable despite the team's knack for losing ballgames. Last season, the Red Sox were finding all kinds of ways to win games, and this season, they found all kinds of ways to lose them—simple as that.

After getting to the World Series a year ago, I knew the Sox would be a changed team this year. What I was wondering was if it was going to be for the better or worse. We all know now which one it was, right? You see, somehow success changes everyone, no matter who you are.

All of a sudden you're in the public eye and you have reporters asking you everything you ever did in your entire life. They make you out to be "super-human"—somehow you start believing them.

So the next year comes and you want more money and everything to be just the way you want it. After all, you're the superstar, right? Gotta have things your way or you'll demand a trade—that's the attitude. Pretty soon, everyone is looking for more money and better incentives in their contract. Meanwhile, the real matter at hand, winning ballgames, becomes secondary and somehow floats off into outer space.

Now I'm not saying that's exactly what happened to the Red Sox, but I think it happened to some of them. Not that everyone was demanding more money, but

that they let go of the matter at hand. Many people blame the season on Clemens and Gedman for holding out in the opening month of the year, which undoubtedly had a negative effect on the team. I look at that situation from two different angles.

First, Clemens and Gedman had fantastic years and were irreplaceable parts of the squad. The Rocket finished at 24-4 to win the MVP Award, the Cy Young Award, and along the way picked up the All-Star game MVP Award, and set a major league record for strikeouts in a game with 20. Quite a season, indeed.

Gedman made the All-Star team and became one of the better catchers in the AL. Now I can see their gripe for more money. But when they found out they weren't getting it, it was like the end of the world.

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S.T.A.R.T. Exercising Properly...



PATRICK CARLEY, registered therapist for S.T.A.R.T. at Fitness First Health & Racquet Club, works on one of his patients, **Jim Vernadakis**, last week. If you are having problems with athletic injuries, give Carley a call, 786-8908. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Skating Auditions For Ice Capades Being Held October 16th

Ice Capades, coming to the Springfield Civic Center for eight performances (from October 14th to October 18th), will hold local skating auditions for new cast members. Skating tryouts, conducted by Ice Capades Performance Director Roxanne Watson, are scheduled for Friday, October 16th, at 10:00 p.m., (following the 7:30 p.m. performance) on the ice at the Springfield Civic Center.

Performers interested in joining the Ice Capades touring company must be proficient in basic jumps and spins, and must be trained in figure and freestyle skating. A background in dance, drama, music and/or gymnastics is recommended.

Minimum age for prospective cast members is 18, although talented skaters who are 17 may audition if accompanied by a parent or guardian. For women, the minimum preferred height is 5'3". Men should be at least 5'8". Weight must be in proportion to height. If selected to become a member of the cast, an individual must be free to travel continuously throughout the nine-month Ice Capades tour.

Those interested in participating in the Ice Capades auditions must bring their own skates and should wear comfortable skating attire.

Appointments to audition are not necessary; however, for more information interested skaters can contact Robert Collins, (413) 525-8294.

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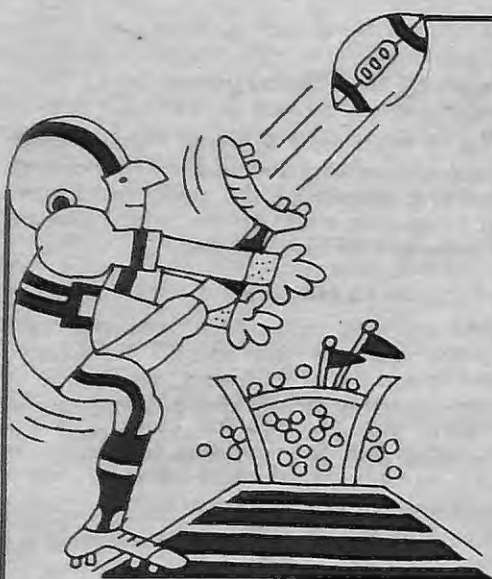
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RED SOX - From Page 61...

Why not forget the dough and just serve your team the best you can whenever you're on the field? I mean, you're making six figures as it is. If Clemens and Gedman knew that this season would end up as it did for the Red Sox, would they have shut-up about the money? I know. Probably not. But I was trying to make a point that nobody will put the team first when it's a matter of \$\$\$.

Another view is about the management of the Red Sox. You can easily wonder why they didn't just pay these guys what they wanted from the beginning. After all, it probably would have kept the team and organization together, instead of separating them the way it did. But who really knows. And at this point, does anyone really care? Me neither.

Back to the 1987 Red Sox. One interesting note is that the Sox drew over 2.2 million fans at the ticket gate, giving them an average attendance of about 27,000 a game. Not bad for a below .500 team. Thanks to last year's success, and a few outstanding season's by a few players, the Sox filled the seats.



There was Dwight Evans having his best season in his 14 years in a Red Sox uniform. His offensive stats finished like this: .306 BA (14th), 34 HR's (3rd), 123 RBI's (2nd), 109 runs (5th), 35 doubles (10th), and he finished in the top 10 in slugging percentage, on base percentage, and walks. Quite a season.

They tried to make a first baseman out of him, but it really didn't go over to well with his instincts, because Dewey was made for gunning down runners at home, third, or second from rightfield—not charging in on bunts. Dwight's a "pro's pro." He should pick-up a few MVP votes, but doesn't have a realistic chance of winning it. (Evans won the Red Sox 10th Player Award two

weeks before the season's end.)

Wade Boggs had another "Wade Boggs" season. He won his fourth AL batting title (.363) in six years. He finished with 200 hits, which marked the fifth straight



year he's accomplished that feat. He led the league in on-base percent (.461); was third in slugging percent (.588); hit a personal high of 24 HR's (his previous high was eight); and walked over 100 times.

Boggs also has a good chance of winning his first Gold Glove Award at third base. He missed the final 10 games of the season due to having arthroscopic surgery on his left knee. The scary thing about Boggs is that we really haven't seen the best of him yet.

Roger Clemens missed spring training and never really gained his 1986 form until the second half of the season. He was at his lowest point in mid-June when he found himself at 4-6, but then went 16-3 from that point on. He finished at 20-9 to pick up his second straight 20-win season and finished with a 2.97 ERA. He led the AL in complete games (18) and shutouts (7); was second in strikeouts (256); second in innings pitched (282), and ended the year with a stretch of 19 scoreless innings. Certainly, the Rocket is headed for another Cy Young Award.

Now onto the "kids." Who are the "kids" you ask? They are **Mike Greenwell, Ellis Burks, Todd Benzing, Sam Horn, and John Marzano.** These guys also kept

the seats at Fenway filled during the season.

All Greenwell did was hit .328, smack 19 HR's, drive in 89 runs—all in only 120-plus games. Looks like Jim Rice's replacement has arrived. Burks finished at .271 with 60 RBI's, while becoming the first Red Sox player to ever hit 20 HR's and steal 20 bases in the same season. He also plays a decent centerfield and has a good arm.

Benzinger looks like a fine two-way player; Marzano is a sturdy catcher, and Horn is a classic left-handed power hitter (he hit 15 HR's, but is said to be on the trading block).

I have decided not to go into the low points of the 1987 Sox (Gedman's virtually no-action season, an aging and injured-riddled Jim Rice, "Oil Can" Boyd's shoulder injury, the non-existent bullpen, and of course, the pitiful Bob Stanley, who finished with a 4-15 record). Can't help but think of John McNamara's emotionless looks in the dugout when the lows are mentioned.

When you think of the 1987 Red Sox, don't think of their record and all the low points. Just sit back and ponder about Clemens, Evans, Boggs, and the kids and the fact that they will all be back. You'll find yourself really enjoying the saying, "Wait 'til next year."





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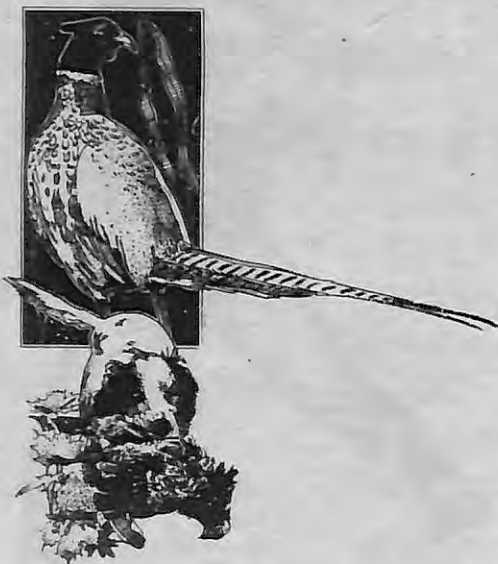
by Bill Chiba
Outdoor Sports Writer

Hitting All Fields...

Pheasant raising operations in Sandwich will grind to a halt at the conclusion of this year's hunting season following a vote of the Massachusetts Fisheries and Wildlife Board taken at its September 24th meeting in Westboro.

The move came in response to a proposal put forth by the Division to close the farm and focus on all in-state pheasant rearing activities at the state game farm in Ayer. Under the terms of the proposal, the 15,000 pheasants raised at Sandwich would be replaced by birds purchased from commercial suppliers, as would the 4,000 quail previously raised at the Sandwich facility.

Over the past three years, the division has claimed considerable savings in the pheasant program by consolidating activities and reducing the year-round labor force.



In 1984, the total cost of the raising of the birds was calculated at \$691,300. In that year, the board voted to close the Wilbraham farm and consolidate the activities between Ayer and Sandwich. The total cost of the pheasant program in 1986 was only \$553,700—a savings of \$137,600, and the total number of birds raised and released remained the same.

The closing of the Wilbraham, and now the Sandwich Game Farms, has been part of a general belt-tightening within the Division of Fisheries and Wildlife which is aimed at stretching the sportsmen's dollar to the utmost—so they claim.



Sunrise/Sunset Table Available

A table of sunrise and sunset times for Worcester, with conversion factors for other parts of the state, is available from the Division of Fisheries and Wildlife to assist hunters in calculating legal hunting hours for seasons, with opening and closing times tied to sunrise and sunset (migratory birds, deer, bear, turkey, upland game birds, rabbits, and hare, etc.).

To obtain a copy—send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to the Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Wildlife, Field Headquarters, Westboro, Massachusetts, 01581.

During the summer, the board made a few changes: they voted to extend the two-deer limit to zones 12, 13, and 14. They also voted to require a hunter to obtain written permission from the property owner when he

desires to construct a permanent tree stand. The Shotgun Season on deer will still open the **first Monday after Thanksgiving**. They also rejected the rifle caplock for deer hunting. It approved the use of plastic antlers for calling deer.

The division is constantly on the outlook for land to purchase. The closing of the towns in the Western part of the state to deer hunting, make this search important to the Division of Fisheries and Wildlife. If the trend keeps going like it is, there will be no place to hunt in the state.

However, this last year the board purchased the following land: 85 acres in the Town of Conway; two acres in the Town of Warwick for boat access at Moore's Pond; Montague, 65 acres near the Sawmill River; Bernardston, 22 1/2 acres and working on more; 62 acres in Westfield, plus small areas between Route 20 and the Westfield River. Some large tracts are under consideration.

If you know of any acreage available in the Westfield Watershed, please let me know or contact the Division in Westboro. The acquisition of land is vital to the continuation of the sport.

The final figures for salmon and other fish lifted at the Holyoke Dam is as follows: 207 salmon lifted, 18

were released above the dam; 13 of these went through Turners Falls; seven went through Bellows Falls; three went through Wilder Dam; 345 salmon were captured in the Connecticut and the Farmington Rivers; 276,835 shad went through the Holyoke facility; 39 went through Bellows Falls.

If you have a club or other organization that is looking for a program to show your members or young group, Herm Covey, district manager Connecticut District, is available to speak or other division personnel as well. Their program includes films, slides, and other material.



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Participants must pre-register and pre-pay either by mail or by stopping in at the Health Services Department of the Red Cross, 235 Chestnut Street, during business hours, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. All courses will be held at the Red Cross building at 235 Chestnut street.

Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR)/Basic Life Support-Professional Rescuers, \$25, October 9th and 16th (Friday), 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.; November 10th and 12th (Tuesday and Thursday), 6:00 to 10:00 p.m.; December 4th and 11th (Friday), 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.; December 15th and 17th (Tuesday and Thursday), 6:00 to 10:00 p.m.

For lifeguards, ski patrol, police, firefighters, medical personnel, and those planning to become CPR instructors. Content includes emergency action principles, recognition and prevention of heart attack, rescue breathing, first aid for choking, and CPR skills for single and team rescues. Procedures for adult, child, and infant victims will be practiced.

Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) Review/Basic Life Support-Professional Rescuers, \$14, November 18th (Wednesday), 6:00 to 10:00 p.m.; November 25th (Wednesday), 6:00 to 10:00 p.m.; December 16th (Wednesday), 6:00 to 10:00 p.m.

Prerequisite: Bring a current CPR certificate to the class. Review textbooks prior to class for written and skills tests.

The week of October 4th to 11th has been set aside as **AIDS Awareness Week**. The best defense against AIDS is information.

Remember these points:

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7. **Don't donate blood**, organs, or sperm if you are or have been in any way at risk for exposure to the AIDS virus.
8. **People with AIDS** need our social and emotional support.

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The Agawam Health Department has scheduled an Influenza Clinic at the Senior Center, Wright Street, for Wednesday, October 14th, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

Influenza vaccine will be administered free-of-charge to persons 65 years of age and over, or if you have chronic conditions such as heart disease, asthma, emphysema, bronchitis, chronic kidney disease, or diabetes.

Melha Rodeo Coming To Coliseum Oct. 23-25 For 1st Annual Show

There is a snap in the crisp October air—autumn leaves have had their parade of colors—there is a stir of excitement. It's the 1st Annual Melha Temple Double R Championship Rodeo, which will be presented in the Coliseum at the Big E Fairgrounds, West Springfield, Friday, October 23rd, Saturday, October 24th, and Sunday, October 25th.

You will see a full-fledged championship calibre rodeo competition in the following events: bareback riding, barrel racing (a ladies' event), bull riding, calf roping, saddle bronc riding, steer wrestling, team roping, Brama bull riding.

A featured attraction will be Lenore Rowe and her performing horses, the epitome of class, training, and showmanship. Her acts have been selected to perform at six prestigious International Finals Rodeos. She has had the honor of working SRA, NARE, ARA, and FCA finals.

Tickets will be \$7 for adults and \$3 for children. Performances are Friday, October 23rd, 7:30 p.m.; Saturday, October 24th, 1:30 and 7:30 p.m.; Sunday, October 25th, 1:30 and 7:30 p.m. Tickets are general admission and may be ordered from Melha Temple, Springfield, MA, 733-0126, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., or at the Big E box office, Exposition Grounds, West Springfield, MA, October 19th to 25th, from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

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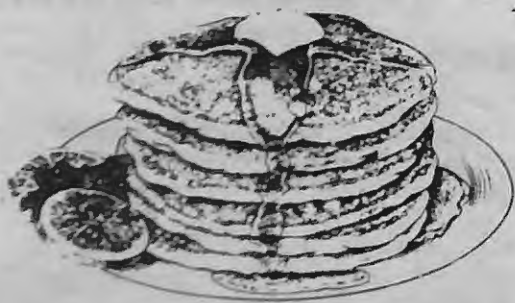
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"Haunted" Dem-Duro Coming To Riverside

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Dem Duro races like this October 31st Halloween special, are run by amateur drivers. These individuals take a Stock Street Car, (older Salvage Car), remove all the glass, chrome, etc., paint it with their own basic personalities and go racing. The format is simple; the event consists of four qualifying heat races. These are run on the death defying oval course, with over 50 cars running for 25-laps. The final or top 20 left running move into the main event.

The qualifying heats are run with no cautions and the rules are simple. Anything can happen and usually does. A driver can go forward or backwards. All winners of the Dem Duro heat races will get \$50 and a trophy.

Still the crazy part of the program is still coming; the main events are two spectacular Demolition Derbies. The top qualified cars make up this main event. The last car running wins the Dem Duro.

Don't miss this one, remember this is an afternoon event. Competitors must be at the track for car inspection at 10:00 a.m. General admission gates will open at 12:00 p.m. The Halloween Dem Duro begins rain or shine at 1:30 p.m., Saturday afternoon. Entries are still available to enter this special event. Call Riverside Park Speedway Monday to Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., ask for Scottie or Gina, to sign up.

Admission for the Halloween Dem-Duro is \$7.95 for adults, and kids eight years and under just 95 cents. Don't forget, November 28th, the Gobbler Enduro race will also be held at Riverside Park Speedway. Riverside Park Speedway where action is the attraction, don't miss this event, come on out and witness this spooky special.

Sports To Highlight AIC Homecoming Oct. 17

Parades, picnics, and sporting events will highlight Homecoming and Parent's Day at American International College, Saturday, October 17th. Students, faculty, administration, parents, and alumni will be on hand for the festivities which will include a float parade on State Street.

Homecoming begins at 9:00 a.m., with the 7th Annual Old Timers Touch Football Game and the 2nd Annual Alumnae Softball Game behind Reed Hall on the Edgewood Gardens Campus. Parents are invited to hear President Harry J. Courniotes speak at 9:30 a.m., in the Esther B. Griswold Theatre for the Performing Arts.

Students will decorate cars for the float parade beginning at 11:30 a.m. The travel route starts on State Street in front of the Springfield Institution for Savings and heads east. The floats will take a right on Homer Street and then another right on Wilbraham Road. From there the parade will come back around on State Street, left on Maynard Street, and a right just before Broadhurst Hall. Following a ride through the Edgewood Gardens campus, the floats will finish at the John Homer Miller Field.

AIC fraternities and sororities will enter floats as will many clubs, organizations and each class. Cash prizes will be awarded to winning floats based on originality, creativity, and overall appearance. Winners will be announced during halftime of the AIC-New Haven football game, along with the Homecoming King and Queen. The senior class will provide decorations including balloons and streamers.

The AIC Soccer team will also be in action at 10:30 a.m., against the Stonehill Chieftains.

Prior to the start of the football game, there will be a tailgate picnic at Reed Estate, followed by the dedication of a plaque commemorating life-time contributors to the AIC Varsity Club Scholarship Program.

For parents, a series of mini courses will be offered in the morning beginning at 10:30 a.m. The courses, taught by AIC faculty members, include "Tax Alert," "Your Adolescent: the College Years," "Government and Ethics," and the "Fitness Focus-What Works and What Doesn't."

Following the football game, there will be an Alumni Reception at Edgewood Gardens, where refreshments will be served under the yellow and white tent.

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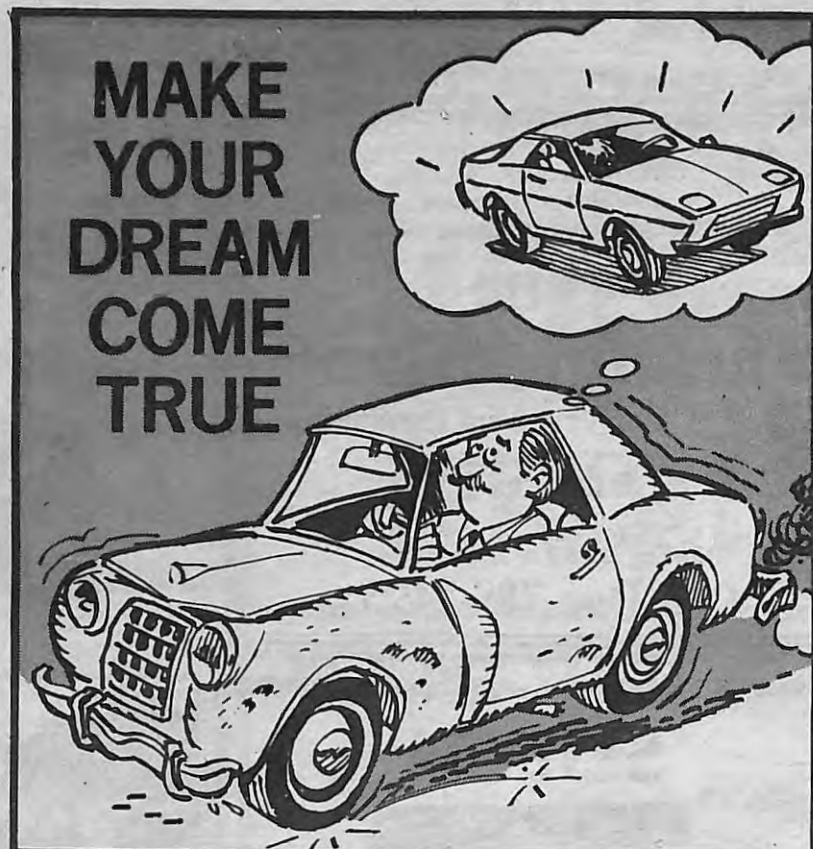
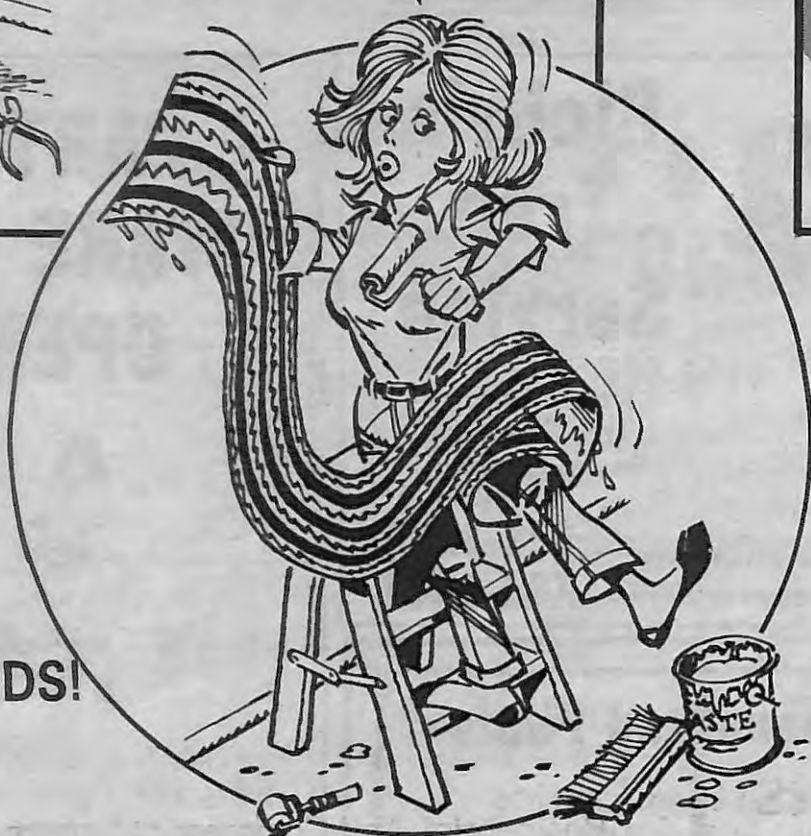
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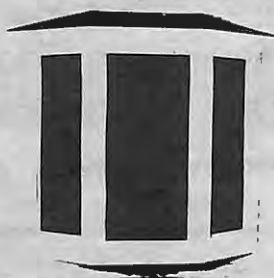


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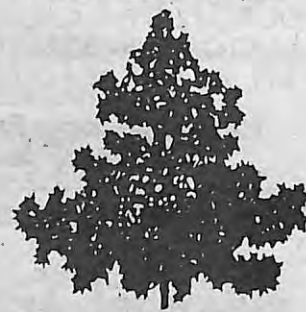
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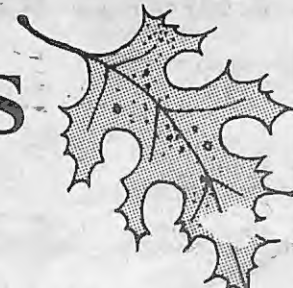


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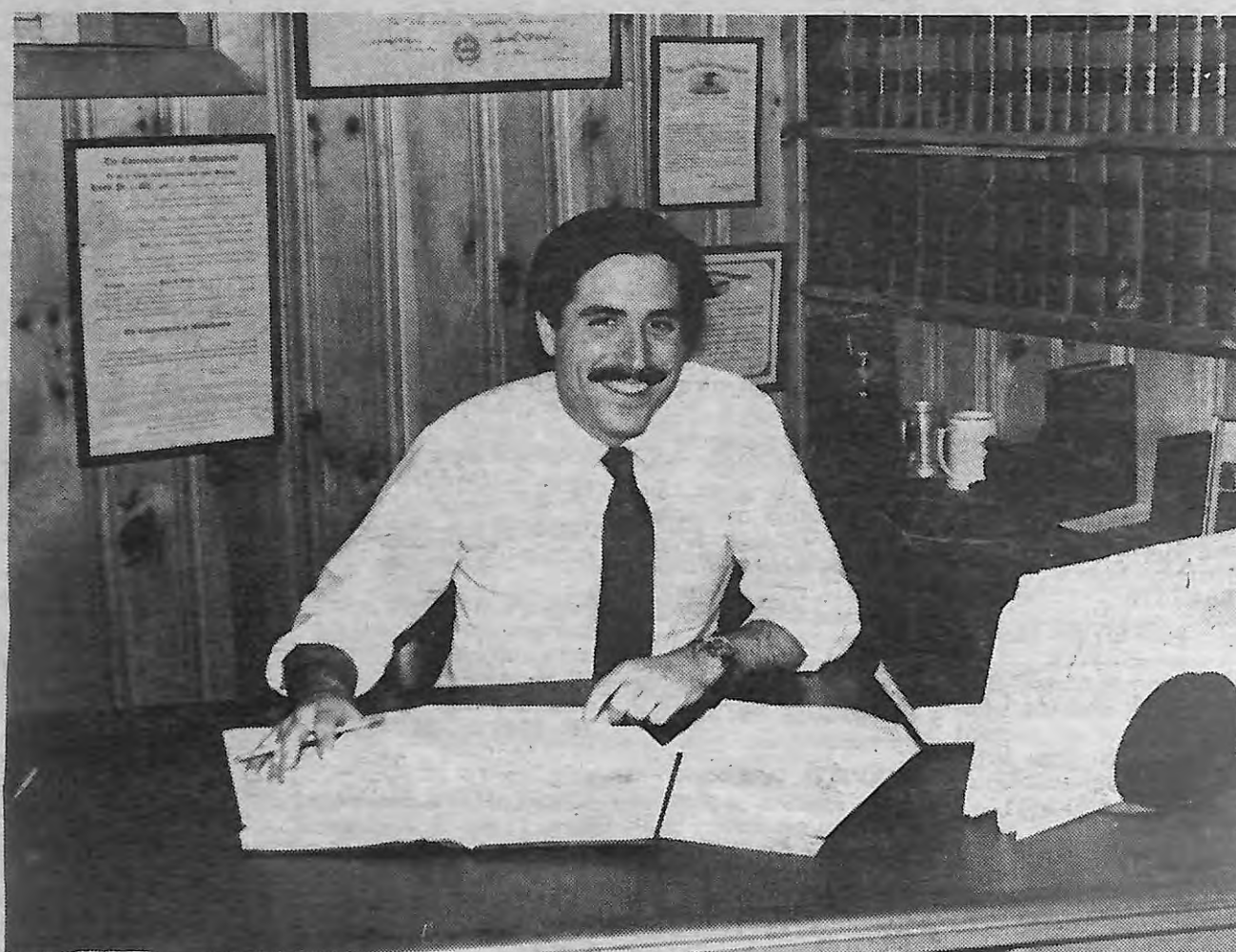
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